

# Center for Judicial Studies

**THE DUKE LAW CENTER FOR JUDICIAL STUDIES** was founded in 2011 to advance the study of the judiciary and improve the administration of justice. Through its five collaborative programs that bring together the bench, bar, academy, and other professionals, the Center facilitates education and develops practical resources, guides, and other materials that are publicly available and widely distributed throughout the legal profession.



## JUDICATURE

**The Master of Judicial Studies** is a post-graduate degree program for federal, state, and international judges who wish to learn the analytical and research skills necessary to study judicial institutions, common and emerging legal issues, general judicial practices, and judicial reform efforts. During this two-year program, judges spend two four-week semesters on campus, studying with top faculty from Duke, other universities, and the courts.

**Judicature** is a scholarly journal for judges that explores the administration of justice and the day-to-day work of judging. Edited and published quarterly by the judges who are students in the Master of Judicial Studies program, the journal publishes scholarship and opinion pieces by judges, scholars, and practitioners on topics ranging from legal reform, emerging legal issues, case-management techniques, judicial ethics and history, and more. *Judicature* is mailed to all Article III judges, federal magistrate judges, and state supreme court justices, as well as a growing subscriber base of state judges, lawyers, academics, and others.

## The Duke Conference

**The Duke Conference** is a conference series that brings together judges and practitioners to discuss pressing or emerging legal topics and often results in the publication of reports or best practices documents. Recent areas of focus include the 2015 Amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and discovery proportionality; emerging issues in mass-tort MDLs; technology-assisted review; patent law; multidistrict litigation; and class-action settlements. These invitation-only conferences create intense, high-level collaboration among leaders from the bench, the bar, and the academy who might otherwise not have opportunities for meaningful engagement, education, and cooperation.

## E·D·R·M DUKE LAW

**EDRM** is a leading standards organization for e-discovery that produces publicly available educational resources for the use of new technologies in litigation. A member-driven organization, EDRM convenes project teams composed of lawyers, judges, technology experts, and others to develop reports, webinars, glossaries, models, best practices, guidelines, and other useful tools for those who work with e-discovery technology. Now that EDRM is part of the Center for Judicial Studies, it will particularly focus on expanding resources for educating the judiciary on emerging technologies and tools.

## AJEI 2017 Summit

**The Appellate Judicial Education Institute** is the premier educational program for federal and state appellate judges, appellate court staff attorneys, and practitioners. Now hosted by Duke Law and the Appellate Judges Conference of the Judicial Division of the American Bar Association, the AJEI summit offers dozens of practical, cutting-edge continuing legal education sessions over a four-day period each November, presented by leading attorneys from the public and private sectors, federal and state judges, and top scholars from throughout the country.

*Through its five outstanding programs, the Center for Judicial Studies brings together*

***policymakers,***

(federal and state judges and government officials)

***thought-leaders,***

(prominent judges, in-house counsel, practitioners, and academics who participate in our conferences, are members of the EDRM community, and contribute to our publications and programs)

***and content and systems developers,***

(ESI software companies, consultancy groups, claims-processing administrators, and litigation-support vendors)

***who work together to achieve practical benefits***

(standards, best practices, guidelines, the *Judicature* journal, conferences, empirical studies, judicial-educational programs, and proposed rules amendments)

***that are relied upon by the bench, bar,  
academy, law students, and the public.***

**And your support is critical.**

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