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SLAPP Happy: Tools and Tips for Navigating The Massachusetts Anti-SLAPP Maze

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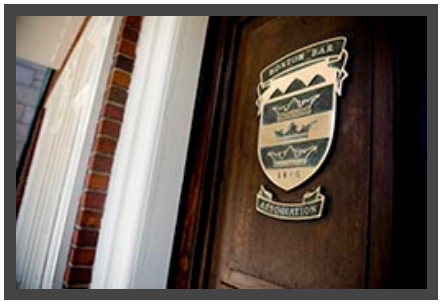

Get access to tips and tools for effectively, creatively and efficiently litigating anti-SLAPP motions in light of ever-changing and sometimes inconsistent interpretations of the Massachusetts anti-SLAPP statute. The panelists have significant experience, including before the SJC and Appeals Court, handling anti-SLAPP motions involving novel and cutting edge issues.

They will cover:

1. The current anti-SLAPP landscape, including trends, new cases and upcoming cases,
2. Tips on how to spot anti-SLAPP issues: what kinds of cases they come up in and how to evaluate a case with the anti-SLAPP statute in mind,
3. The mechanics of the statute, the respective burdens on each side and of how to prepare and file anti-SLAPP motions and oppositions and supporting papers,
4. Tips and tools for both moving parties and opposing parties to approach anti-SLAPP issues and to deal with them efficiently and successfully, and
5. Special tips and tools for small firms and solo practitioners dealing with and approaching these issues to use anti-SLAPP motions effectively, to best marshal resources and to avoid allowing this litigation within litigation to swallow the entire case.

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