

Noon Time Legal Seminar, February 21, 2017

12:00-1:00 pm

Nevada County Superior Court, Law Library, 201 Church Street, Nevada City

Copyright Law Basics for Artists and Musicians: Protecting Your Work

Presented by Kyle Adamson

Geared towards issues facing artists and musicians, this course offers interested attorneys and the general public an opportunity to acquire a basic foundation in the area of copyright law.

Touching on the general legal framework of the 1976 Copyright Act, we will explore: (1) What is a Copyright? (2) What categories of Works are eligible for protection? (3) What categories of Works are excluded from protection? (4) When is a Work eligible for protection? (5) Who is the owner of the Copyright? (5) How long is a Work protected? The course will also cover the practical and mechanical aspects of registering a copyright with the Copyright Office, including an overview of the different applications and associated fees involved. Lastly, this course will briefly touch on the basics of copyright infringement, enforcement, and available defenses.

Attorneys will receive one (1) hour of MCLE credit (Minimum Continuing Legal Education). Cost is \$30 for attorneys and \$15 for non-attorneys. Pre-registration recommended, as spaces are limited. Call 530-265-7161 or email Law.Library@nccourt.net to pre-register. Arrive by 11:40 am at the Courthouse to complete registration and payment. We prefer cash or check, payable to the Nevada County Law Library. Credit cards will also be accepted.

About Kyle Adamson

Mr. Adamson established his solo practice in August 2015, The Law Office of Kyle R. Adamson, in Nevada City, California. Mr. Adamson's practice is focused on providing affordable legal services to small businesses and individuals in the areas of business, real property, and immigration law.

Mr. Adamson earned his J.D. from Western State College of Law in 2013. He also received a Business Law Certificate, *with distinction*, from Western State College of Law's Business Law Center in 2013.

While in law school, Mr. Adamson represented undocumented immigrants as a Certified Student Attorney in its Immigration Law Clinic. Immediately after law school, Mr. Adamson was hired by Western State College of Law to collaborate with his former secured transactions professor, Edith Warkentine, on the creation and development of the law school text, Secured Transaction: A Context and Practice Casebook.

Mr. Adamson is an at-large member of the Nevada County Bar Association's Executive Committee and previously served as an at-large member of Northern California Lawyer Access, Inc.'s Board of Directors.