

# Ethics Session: The Not So Unique Ethical Issues Facing Class Action Defense Counsel

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Winstead Shareholder Paul Lavelle presented "Ethics Session: The Not So Unique Ethical Issues Facing Class Action Defense Counsel" at the 2014 DRI Class Actions Seminar in Washington, D.C. The discussion covers:

- Ethical issues and unexpected problems that may arise from precertification through settlement or trial
- Application of the Model Rules of Professional Responsibility
- Class action "pick off"
- Joint defense agreements
- Outside counsel guidelines
- Practical tips for maintaining client confidentiality