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IICLE Publishes 2012 Edition of “SmartEvidence: Commercial Litigation” by Novack and Macey Attorneys Mitch Marinello, Tim Miller and Rebekah Parker

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The Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education (IICLE) has published *SmartEvidence: Commercial Litigation 2012*, a “quick guide” for Illinois litigators to use when faced with unexpected evidentiary issues. The guide was written by Novack and Macey attorneys [Mitchell L. Marinello](#), [Timothy J. Miller](#) and [Rebekah H. Parker](#). Alison Talbert Schwartz, formerly Of Counsel with the firm, also contributed to the booklet.

The guide contains chapters on the opening statement, relevancy, relevancy exceptions, document issues, hearsay, witnesses and testimony, opinion testimony and expert witnesses, judicial notice and closing argument. It also provides a list of major objections and the grounds for sustaining or overruling each objection.

The booklet is “not intended to be a comprehensive treatise on the law of evidence,” according to the authors. “Instead it is a quick guide, a starting point for further research, and something that can be thrown in a briefcase on the way to court.”

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