



I am honored to provide the Minnesota Sheriff's Association with background information on Rod Nelson's relationship with Minnesota Continuing Legal Education and share details of the meaningful and important work he has contributed to Minnesota's legal community. Minnesota CLE's mission is to provide accessible, high-quality legal education for Minnesota attorneys. We provide practical, how-to education along with updates on the latest law changes, helping Minnesota attorneys better serve their clients. We can provide high-quality education because of the generous volunteer hours of experienced author/presenters like Rod Nelson.

Since 1999, Rod has been the primary author of the Working with the Sheriff Chapter in the Minnesota CLE Debtor-Creditor Deskbook and eFormbook. A Deskbook is designed to offer comprehensive instruction written and edited by the best practitioners in their field. Rod has served as the primary or sole author of the Working with the Sheriff chapter through 4 new editions and 8 Updates. His chapter covers topics including History of the Office of the Sheriff; Introduction to the Minnesota Sheriff; Sheriff's Powers and Duties; Receipt of Process; Methods of Collection; Appendix A – Anoka County Sheriff's Office Civil Process Fee Schedule; Appendix B – Minnesota State Sheriffs' Association Directory; Appendix C – Financial Institution Levy; Appendix D – Levy on Earnings; Appendix E – Writ of Execution/Sale of Homestead Property; Appendix F – Writ of Execution/Sale of Non-Homestead Property; Appendix G – Writ of Execution/Sale of Personal Property. Because the sheriff plays an essential role in the service of process and post-judgment execution procedures, the chapter on Working with the Sheriff is one of the most practical chapters in the Debtor-Creditor Deskbook and eFormbook.

Based on our records, Rod has presented 5 Minnesota CLE seminars on How to Collect Debts in Minnesota (2002 + 2003), The Debtor-Creditor Conference (2011), What Lawyers Handling Debt Collection Matters Need to Know (2012), and the 2013 Debtor and Creditor Conference. Rod's top scoring evaluations show his excellent presentation skills and in-depth knowledge of the topic. Rod's work with Minnesota CLE plays an important role in (1) keeping him connected to the legal community, (2) educating attorneys on core principles and developing areas of the law, and (3) assisting practicing attorneys. His Deskbook chapter on Working with the Sheriff,

and CLE trainings are accessible, practical, strategic, and up-to-date. Minnesota CLE believes Rod's contributions help attorneys (1) understand the foundational legal and procedural principles at play, (2) learn timely updates, and (3) successfully perform the legal steps in the service of process and post-judgment execution procedures to facilitate the role the sheriff plays in this process.

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