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**TO:** Court Users  
**FROM:** Thomas J. Hart  
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**RE:** Bench-Bar Meetings, awarding of CLE credits

**CLERK'S  
ANNOUNCEMENT  
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Effective immediately, attorneys who participate in the Bankruptcy Court's bi-monthly Bench Bar Meetings will be eligible to earn Vermont Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credit.

The Vermont Supreme Court's Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Board's representative has informed me that credit will be issued based upon the length of each Bench Bar Meeting, rounded to the nearest quarter hour. CLE credits will be available for both in person and telephonic participants.

Starting with the upcoming February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, we will take attendance at the beginning and end of each Bench Bar meeting. At the conclusion of each meeting I will announce the number of credits earned and submit that information to the CLE Board. Consistent with MCLE protocols, each attorney is on the "honor system" in terms of participating in the entire meeting and accurately reporting the credit earned.

If you have any questions about the availability or reporting of CLE credits for the Bench Bar Meetings please contact me at (802) 776-2002.