



## ACC TN Welcomes Samantha Lunn as the Chapter's new Executive Director



On September 1, Samantha Lunn joined ACC-Tennessee as our new Executive Director. Samantha has hit the ground running, working with our Chapter Administrator, Emily Johannsen, to finalize our remaining programs and events for 2022 and begin planning our calendar for 2023.

Samantha is no stranger to ACC-Tennessee, having worked closely with the chapter during her time as a partner at Husch Blackwell in Chattanooga, Tennessee (2015-2022). When asked what led her to apply for the Executive Director position, Samantha shared, “I learned about the opening at ACC-Tennessee at a time where I was looking for a new professional direction that would allow me to pour more time into my family, especially our daughter who started middle school this fall, but also keep me plugged into the legal community in Tennessee.”

This is Samantha’s second round in the not-for-profit world, having worked for two years as Director of the Normal Park Museum Magnet Education Fund. “When I worked at the Fund, I had the opportunity to transform a community-fund supported organization into a full-fledged 501(c)(3). I really enjoy helping organizations transition to the next level, and I’m excited to get started with ACC-Tennessee on strategic planning to capitalize on the strong growth opportunities for membership and sponsorship.” Samantha started her legal practice as an associate in the Dallas office of Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher (2005-2011), before relocating to Chattanooga so that her husband, Matt (President & Owner, Industrial Plating Company) could pursue a professional opportunity.

Outside of her professional life, Samantha keeps busy on exercise dates with her friends, traveling to see her family (in California, Chile, Boston, Florida, Nashville and New Jersey, Ohio), racing her husband and daughter down ski slopes, volunteering in her community, and reading. In addition to Matt and Olivia (11), Samantha shares her home with Dr. Watson (cat, 16+), Dotty (cat, 2), and Bingo (mini aussie, 1.5).

# Member News & Updates

Thank you to our members statewide who have joined us for the terrific events and programming we hosted in 2022. We could not have done it without the partnership from the wonderful sponsors below:

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There is so much more to come in 2022. Please note our upcoming events in the "Save the Date" section below.

## Members on the Move



**Scott Laughlin**

**Scott Laughlin - ACC TN Sponsorship and Public Interest & Advocacy Chair** has been named a Top 50 Information Security Professional in 2022 OnConference Icon Awards.

\*Have you or one of your in-house colleagues changed jobs, been promoted, or received professional recognition? Share the news with ACC TN members by sending a note to [acc-tennessee@accglobal.com](mailto:acc-tennessee@accglobal.com).

## Congratulations

Congratulations to ACC Tennessee Board Members, Members, Friends & Sponsoring Law Firms for being recognized by the Nashville Business Journal as 2022 "Best of the Bar".

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## Save the Dates

### Upcoming Events in Your Area

Date: September 21st  
Event: In-person CLE program  
Time: 11:30 AM - 1:00PM EST  
Location: The Boathouse, Chattanooga, TN  
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Date: September 29th  
Topics: Post Transaction Litigation - Current Trends and Avoidance Strategies  
Government Investigations - Lessons Learned and Best Practices  
Event: In-person Half Day CLE program / Social Reception  
Time: 12:45 - 6:00 PM CST  
Location: Nashville, TN  
Agenda: 12:45 - 1:00 PM - Check-In and Lunch  
1:00 - 2:35 PM - Post Transaction Litigation - Current Trends  
2:40 - 3:00 PM - Break  
3:00 - 4:35 PM - Government Investigations - Lessons Learned  
4:35 - 6:00 PM - Social Reception



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Date: October 19th  
Topic: Mediation: Preparation and Positioning as Corporate Representative  
Event: In-person 1 Hour CLE Program  
Time: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM  
Location: Chattanooga, TN  
Sponsor: Husch Blackwell



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Date: November 1st  
Topic: What Happens In-House Doesn't Always Stay In-House: An Interactive Panel on Attorney-Client Privilege for Corporate Counsel  
Event: In-person CLE Program  
Time: 5:00 - 7:00 PM EST  
Location: Miller & Martin- Chattanooga, TN  
Agenda: 5:00 - 5:30 PM - Registration & Networking Reception  
5:30 - 6:30 PM - CLE Program  
6:30 - 7:00 PM - Closing Reception  
Sponsored by: Miller & Martin  
Additional details and registration information coming soon.



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Date: November 3rd  
Event: In-person CLE Program or Social Event  
Time: TBD  
Location: Nashville, TN  
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Date: November 17th  
Event: Virtual 1 Hour CLE Program  
Time: TBD  
Location: TBD  
Sponsor: Barnes & Thornburgh



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Date: December 2nd  
Event: In-person & Virtual Half Day CLE Program  
Time: TBD  
Location: In-person (Nashville, TN) & Virtual  
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## ACC Global Updates



### Global Membership Drive - Final Month

Invite your in-house friends and colleagues to join ACC, and share ACC's free CLE programming, member social events and networking, online resources, and career advancement opportunities. New members receive a discounted membership rate, and you have the opportunity to earn perks including [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) gift cards, donations to a charity on your behalf, and even a complimentary ACC Global event registration!

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## ACC Annual Meeting

### ACC Annual Meeting 2022: Join Us in Las Vegas

Time is flying and we are counting down the days until the ACC Annual Meeting in Las Vegas. Mark your calendars and join us October 23rd thru 26th in Las Vegas, Nevada. Choose your path! We want you to get the most out of your Annual Meeting experience.

So this year, we've [created even more learning paths for you to follow based on your practice needs and career goals.](#)

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