Social networking sites spread information effortlessly. For litigants and courts, this can be both risky and beneficial. Could your spouse gain access to your emails and IMs in Facebook during a divorce? How can courts engage in social networking in such a way that maintains impartiality and ethical standards while promoting public trust and accountability? This panel will discuss how courts approach social networking issues that arise during litigation—from discovery disputes to juror [mis]use of such sites. It will also provide an overview of a recent groundbreaking study by the Conference of Court Public Information Officers on how courts are engaging in this new form of communication. This session will answer substantive legal and policy questions surrounding social networking and the justice system.

Karen Salaz recommends attendees view this YouTube video (EPIC 2015) (embedded below) prior to the session.

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