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JOURNEY TO HOLLAND

LAW & CULTURE IN THE NETHERLANDS

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*Featuring The Hague
& select visits to Amsterdam & Rotterdam*

Select from 4 or 6 night program packages

*By Invitation of the York County & Dauphin County
Bar Associations*

INCLUDED

- 4 Star Accommodations
- Daily ground transportation and walking tours
- Select group meals at top restaurants (including tips)
- Fully guided tour with local guides and specialists
- Exclusive visits and private lecture series with local experts (engaging to both attorneys and non-attorney guests)
- Admission to all venues / attractions in program
- Travel Tips and Guidance

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to/from Netherlands
- Airport transfers
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- Additional meals not provided in itinerary
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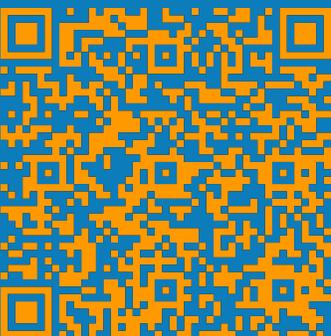
The **York County & Dauphin County Bar Associations** invite you and your guest(s) to join our exclusive journey to the marvelous Holland.

We make home base in **The Hague (Den Haag)** - the political heart of the Netherlands as well as the Center of International Law - providing a fascinating education for lawyers and non-lawyers alike. The city's wide streets and numerous green zones make for an incredibly pleasant pedestrian experience where charming boutiques, cafes and fine dining abound.

The Hague is also ideally situated within reach of some of Holland's greatest attractions. Add 2 extra nights for day trips to the modern **Rotterdam**, the iconic windmills of **Kinderdijk**, and **Amsterdam**, the 17th century capital of Holland known for its museums, fine dining, and beautiful architecture.

Of course, no visit to Holland is complete without an immersion into Dutch cuisine. Our group meals will be selected for their **elevated culinary experiences** ensuring we make the most of every meal and taste the best of Holland's cuisine recognized for its purity, high quality, and honest presentation. You do not want to miss this opportunity to visit the Netherlands while receiving CLE credit (pending).

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AT A GLANCE: NETHERLANDS

Included visit to the Keukenhof gardens for the full tulip experience - open only 8 weeks a year!



DUTCH LAW, POLITICS, & INTERNATIONAL INFLUENCE

*Itinerary subject to change and final confirmation. Special requests are encouraged.
Suggested air will be provided at a later date.*

Day 1 Monday April 13

Participants arrive throughout the day at **Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS)**, **Rotterdam The Hague airport (RTM)**, or arrive in the Netherlands by train from various European connections. Independent travel to our hotel in *Den Haag* (The Hague).

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Check into the elegant Carlton Ambassador Hotel in Den Haag, where classic charm meets modern comfort in the heart of the city's historic quarter.

3:45 pm

Meet & Greet

Bringing the group together for the first time, this is an opportunity to meet your fellow travelers and CLE Abroad Team.

We walk together to our private **canal boats** for a panoramic orientation cruise and introduction to Den Haag (the Hague).



Evening

Welcome Dinner. We will be joined by guest speaker **Colleen Geske**, author of the popular book entitled *Stuff Dutch People Like*, for an entertaining **primer on Dutch Culture**.

Remainder of the evening is free to rest and get acclimated to the time zone.

Day 2 Tuesday April 14

Breakfast is served daily at the hotel.

Morning

Guided **Walking Tour** past some historic and political landmarks in the city center of The Hague. This tour will also give an introduction to the Dutch political system and the unique political cultures in the Netherlands. Notable is that the **Dutch Constitution** plays an important role in the history of numerous locations throughout the city.

6 NIGHTS IN DEN HAAG

A presentation at the [Supreme Court of the Netherlands](#), the highest court in the fields of civil, criminal and tax law in the Netherlands.



Afternoon

Group lunch in the city center

DUTCH DRUG POLICY, ENFORCEMENT & POLITICAL ACTIVISM

In 1976, the Netherlands officially amended its **Opium Act** to create a distinction in law between cannabis and other “harder” drugs with the stated goal of reducing harm to both individuals and society. Famous for its cannabis-serving “coffee shops,” the Netherlands has recorded a lower drug-related death rate ever since. In this controversial presentation from a political activist, we learn about the many harms and benefits to the longstanding Dutch Drug policies.

AND/OR

WAR CRIMES & GENOCIDE IN THE DIGITAL AGE

We welcome a panel of distinguished international law practitioners and leading women in the field of international criminal law for an informative discussion on the **prosecution, defense and administration of justice in war crime tribunals** including the latest from **Ukraine and Gaza**.

Return to hotel/remainder of evening free. Dinner on your own.

Day 3 Wednesday April 15

Today consider Business Casual / Smart Casual for our professional visits.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING:

Passport-in-hand required for Peace Palace entry (no photocopies accepted).

Morning

Visit to the [Mauritshuis Museum](#), home to a fine collection of classical art from the age of Rembrandt including **Vermeer's** most famous work, **Girl with a Pearl Earring**. You may opt for a guided tour of the museum’s highlights or a self guided visit.



Lunch at [Bayonne](#). If available, we will be joined by members of the **Den Haag Bar Association** during our lunch.

PEACE THROUGH LAW: THE HAGUE AS A CITY OF PEACE AND JUSTICE

Visit to the [Peace Palace](#). After an introduction at the **Peace Palace Visitor’s Centre** and depending on the possibilities available, we will aim to have a **Presentation from the International Court of Justice (ICJ)** / a **tour of the Peace Palace or the Peace Palace Library**.

Day 3 Wednesday April 15 CONTINUED

Financed and maintained by the **Carnegie Foundation**, the Peace Palace was built in 1913 to house the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) and a Library. Soon after, they were joined by the Permanent Court of International Justice, the official court of the **League of Nations**. After the Second World War, the League of Nations was dissolved and the United Nations was founded. The International Court of Justice (ICJ) of the United Nations then took up residence in the Palace.

Remainder of the evening free. Dinner on your own.

Day 4 Thursday April 16

Morning

Visit the magical **Keukenhof**. For just a few weeks each year, *Keukenhof* opens its grounds to visitors to see one of the most beautiful spring gardens in the world. This world-famous park showcases more than 7 million spring flowering bulbs, with over 500 growers presenting an enormous variety of flowers.

Free time to explore the grounds **Lunch** on your own.



Afternoon

Meet outside the gardens to board the bus and head back to The Hague.

JUDICIAL DEVELOPMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL LAW

Visit to the **International Criminal Court (ICC)**. During our visit, we will be given a presentation on the Court and its current developments by an ICC Legal Officer, followed by Q&A. ICC schedule permitting, we may attend a hearing.

From the ICC we continue to the **National Monument Oranjehotel** - the name the Dutch attributed to the Scheveningen prison during the 2nd World War. The Germans detained over 25,000 people here for interrogation and prosecution purposes.

Evening



Core Trip Farewell Dinner, Scheveningen Beach

Board **The Pier SkyView**. This 160' foot ferris wheel has 36 closed cars that seem to float over the water. Enjoy a glass of bubbly as you take in the sweeping views of the Boardwalk and the sand dunes. Next we enjoy dinner at **Catch by Simonis**, located in Scheveningen Harbour, where we will dine overlooking the marina filled with sailboats. This family-run business has been in operation since the end of the 19th century. A former eel smokehouse, Catch is known for international seafood recipes using a daily fresh supply from the local fish auction.

DAY TRIP TO AMSTERDAM

Day 5 Friday April 17

Morning

Please meet in the hotel lobby for our day trip to Amsterdam.



Guided tour of the [Rijksmuseum](#), the National Museum of the Netherlands. Home to works by the Dutch Masters such as **Rembrandt** and **Vermeer**, this massive collection currently exhibits around 8,000 pieces of art and objects of historical significance.

THE REGULATION OF PROSTITUTION IN THE NETHERLANDS

Lecture followed by an exploration of the “**Life of a Sex Worker**,” a behind-the-scenes tour of the Adult Club *BonTon* (*the visit is outside of working hours of the Club*). This informative presentation provides a glimpse into the world of the workers and patrons alike.

Afternoon

Private **Canal Cruise and Lunch** on board. From the water, we have the best vantage point to see Amsterdam’s interesting architecture and beautiful canal district.



We visit the [Anne Frank House](#) touring the house where Anne Frank and her family lived in hiding during the 2nd World War.



En route to our afternoon lecture, we walk through the trendy *Jordaan* neighborhood in Amsterdam. The charming narrow streets and canals of this area are home to hip pubs & restaurants, indie boutiques & galleries.

CULTURAL HERITAGE LAW & THE CASE FOR RESTITUTION OF STOLEN ART

In this lecture, **Dr. Evelien Campfens** tells us about the growing movement in the Netherlands and the EU to demand the return of stolen art. The *Goudstikker* collection is just one of many examples of art looted during World War II now subject to potential claims for restitution under Dutch law and an evolving public policy. In this lecture, we learn about the most significant cases around the world, some of which have resulted in the successful return to the heirs of stolen art collections.

Evening

Return to Den Haag, Dinner on your own.

DAY TRIP TO KINDERDIJK & ROTTERDAM

Day 6 Saturday April 18

Morning

Meet in the lobby to depart by bus for the [UNESCO World Heritage site of Kinderdijk](#) to see its iconic **Windmills**. The tour includes a multimedia presentation, canal cruise, visit to a windmill and time to explore the grounds on foot.



Afterwards, we travel to **Rotterdam** and see the cities' dynamic skyline including the iconic, white Erasmusbrug bridge nicknamed 'The Swan'.

Afternoon

Lunch at the historic [Hotel New York](#), the former headquarters of Holland-America Line. The property is a prominent fixture of the Wilhelmina Pier in contemporary Rotterdam.

If available, we will meet with and hear about the work from a member of the foundation, [Lawyers for Lawyers \(L4L\)](#). *L4L is an independent, non-political organization based in the Netherlands. Their mission is to support and protect lawyers worldwide who face threats, harassment, or persecution because of their profession.*



After lunch we will have a **Guided Bus Tour** through Rotterdam to show you some of this city's unique architecture and highlights, before returning to the Hague late afternoon.

Evening

Farewell Dinner in The Hague.

Day 7 Sunday April 19

Participants make their own arrangements and independent transfers to **Amsterdam Airport Schiphol (AMS)**, **Rotterdam The Hague airport (RTM)** or their next destination.



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