



LAW & CULTURE: SCOTLAND, UK

2020 STATE BAR COLLECTIVE

4 NIGHT / 5 DAY PROGRAM

MONDAY, JUNE 15 to FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020

Open to Members and Guests of Participating Bar Associations

Register online at www.cle-abroad.com/scotland

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INCLUDED

- 5 Star Accommodations in Scotland
- Daily ground transportation
- Select group meals at top restaurants (including tips)
- Full-time tour leader, local guides and specialists
- CLE Lecture series with local experts and influencers (open to non-attorney guests)
- Admission to all museums / attractions in program
- Travel Tips and Assistance

NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to/from Scotland
- Airport transfers
- Suggested tips for drivers and local guide(s)
- Additional meals not provided in itinerary
- Incidentals / Individual hotel expenses (e.g., mini bar, room services, laundry fees)
- Trip cancellation insurance

TOUR COST

Single Occupancy:	\$3,850
Double Occupancy:	\$3,200
Triple Occupancy:	\$2,950
Day Program Rate*	\$2,300

*without accommodations

(Prices are per person)



YOU'RE INVITED!



You and your guest(s) are invited to join our delegation for a journey through Scotland's historically rich and charming landscape.

For such a small country, Scotland has a significant cultural footprint beyond its legendary **kilts** and **bagpipes**. Sitting on the Northernmost point of the United Kingdom, Scotland has a robust and independent history of Roman soldiers, Vikings, noble clansmen, and powerful monarchs. Today, the country must reconcile its unique civil law history with the more centralized UK and European Union legal systems.

Our private delegation will explore different aspects of Scottish culture. Excursions will include tours of the Edinburgh and Stirling Castles, traditional music, dance, whisky and haggis; as well visits to Scotland's second city – **Glasgow** - and the picturesque **St. Andrews**, the birthplace of golf. We will also gain a working knowledge of the Scottish legal and political system through guided visits to **high Courts** and the **Scottish Parliament**.

The amusing capital of **Edinburgh** will be our home base for this unique opportunity to enjoy the best of Scotland while earning CLE credits! Friends and family are welcome.

REFERRAL CREDIT

Refer a friend or colleague to join the program and you both receive \$100 off final invoice! (Applicable to separate room reservations only. Limit 2 referral credits per person.)

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AT A GLANCE: SCOTLAND



B - Breakfast

L - Lunch

D - Dinner

JOURNEY TO SCOTLAND

PARTICIPATING STATE BAR ASSOCIATIONS

Itinerary subject to change.

Day 1 Monday, June 15

Group participants arrive throughout the day at the **Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa**. Besides being Scotland's most renowned urban spa, our hotel is located near Edinburgh Castle and the Royal Mile making it easy to discover Edinburgh's outstanding history and architectural beauty.

Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa, Edinburgh
1 Festival Square, Edinburgh EH3 9SR, UK

4:00 PM

Orientation/Welcome Reception before departing for to the old **Parliament House** with Drinks Reception at the **Faculty of Advocates** (Mackenzie Building).

Edinburgh Welcome Dinner at **Cannonball Restaurant**, refined and locally-sourced Scottish cuisine in the heart of Old Town overlooking the famed Castle.

Day 2 Tuesday, June 16

8:00 AM

Depart hotel for private, Pre-Opening Tour of **Edinburgh Castle**.

9:30 AM

We continue our morning with a walking tour of **Old Town Edinburgh** and the Royal Mile.

11:00 AM

MY LORD, MY LADY: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE SCOTTISH JUDICIAL SYSTEM

Guided visit and presentation at the **supreme civil court of Scotland, the Court of Session**. The presentation includes an introduction to the Scottish legal system, how the system operates under UK law, and a brief history of the various types of courts and

judges. These differences are numerous and include a judge's courtroom attire and paraphernalia. American lawyers will be able to make a meaningful cross-comparison to the relatively modern American legal system.

12:30 PM

Lunch at **Makars Gourmet Mash Bar** to experience one of Scotland's best haggis.

3:00 PM

THE SCOTTISH POLITICAL SYSTEM: A HYBRID OF UK AND EU LAWS

After lunch, we enjoy a guided tour and presentation at the **Scottish Parliament**. Here we learn about Scotland's unique political system, the balance between state autonomy and the centralized powers of the European Union, and the "Scottish Magna Carta." This gives way to Scotland's particular views on Brexit and its role in the overall process. We visit the **Debating Chamber** and a **Committee Meeting** to learn how legislative bodies pass laws, and how the courts may interpret them (schedules permitting).

Evening

Remainder of evening free. Dinner on your own. You'll find Edinburgh to be hilly but an extremely pedestrian friendly city with great shops and pubs.


Day 3 Wednesday, June 17

Morning

This morning, we depart for Scotland's second city and cultural hub – Glasgow (approx. 55 minutes).

FORENSIC SCIENCE AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE IN SCOTLAND

Following a panoramic tour of the city, we visit the **High Court of Justiciary in Glasgow**. This court is the supreme criminal court of Scotland and handles cases such as murder and robbery. Here, we learn about the nuances of Scottish criminal law and how it



differs from UK law. Generally, Scottish criminal matters cannot be appealed to the UK Supreme Court and are only handled by the High Court of Justiciary. We examine the major differences between Scottish, UK, and EU penal law. Time permitting, we visit the nearby **University of Dundee's** Forensic Science department to meet with faculty and students. Forensic science is revolutionizing criminal cases in Scotland. with novel techniques in DNA analysis, detection systems for explosives and explicit drugs, fingerprint development methods, and many more.

We continue towards **Stirling** (approx. 25 minutes). One of the principal royal strongholds of the Kingdom of Scotland, Stirling was named a royal burgh by **King David I** in 1130 and later a ferry-bridge on the **River Forth** brought Stirling significant wealth and influence. Stirling's strategic location where the Scottish Lowlands meet the rugged slopes of the Highlands - a historic focal point for travel north or south - aptly gave the city its name, *Gateway to the Highlands*, and naturally became a major battleground during the Wars of Scottish Independence. **William Wallace** and the **Battle of Stirling Bridge** (1297) is depicted in the Hollywood film *Braveheart* starring Mel Gibson. Historians claim the film's version bears little resemblance to real events, however, as the tactics portrayed more closely resemble another famous battle at a nearby village, **Battle of Bannockburn** (1314), where the King of Scots **Robert the Bruce** lead another famous victory against English forces. It is often quoted, "*he who holds Stirling, holds Scotland.*"

1:00 PM

For lunch, we enjoy a genuine Scottish Lunch at **The Birds and the Bees**, an old farmhouse and now one of central Scotland's best pubs. Traditional Scottish food at its best!

2:30 PM

After lunch, we visit the **William Wallace Memorial** and/or **Stirling Castle**.

4:30 PM

Return to Edinburgh (approx. 40 minutes).

Evening

Dinner on your own.

Day 4 Thursday, June 18

Morning

On our last full day of the program, please enjoy as much free time as desired.

Pre-arranged activities as follows:

10:00 AM Option A: Excursion to St. Andrews

Depart for the bucolic **St. Andrews** (Approx. 1 hour drive), a historic medieval town known for its many golf courses including the **Old Course**, considered the world's oldest. In St. Andrews we see the ruins of St Andrews Cathedral and the immaculate **University of St Andrews** founded in 1413. *Free time will be given in town for independent lunch and shopping.*

4:00 PM

Time permitting, return to Edinburgh via the **Fife Coastal Path**. Along this stretch of picturesque coastline we see a series of charming, old-fashioned fishing villages.

3:15 PM Option B: Whisky Tour

Depart hotel for a guided tour and tasting at **Glenkinchie Distillery** (Approx. 35 mins drive).

5:00 PM

Return to hotel in Edinburgh.

8:00 PM

Farewell Dinner and tasting in **New Town Edinburgh**.

Day 5 Friday, June 19

Morning

Optional morning activities depending on departure time.



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