



Food & Beverage Litigation Conference: A Look at Hospitality, Liquor & Food Liability

Thursday, October 17, 2019
(Chicago, IL)

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Stephen M. Mahieu, Esq., Senior Counsel, Litigation, The Kraft Heinz Company, Chicago, IL

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7:30 AM: Registration and Breakfast (Lakeshore Ballroom – 3rd Floor)

8:15 AM: Welcome and Opening Remarks

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8:30 AM: Recent & Future Trends in the Food & Beverage Industry

- Food safety regulations and how it affects all parties
- Consumers seeking more information about the food they consume
- Constant rise in consumption of organic foods

Moderator: Jan E. Simonsen, Esq., Equity Partner, Carr Maloney P.C., Washington, D.C.

Jaime Careathers, Senior Counsel, Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC, Chicago, IL

R Delacy Peters Jr., Esq., Chair-Food & Beverage Practice, Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd., Chicago, IL

Carrie F. Ricci, Associate General Counsel, Marketing Regulatory and Food Safety Programs, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

9:15 AM: Farm to Table Challenges

- Challenges in insurance underwriting/evaluating the risk
- Hurdles with regulatory issues, contamination and the litigation perspective
- Logistical challenges to the table faced from cultivating botanicals and raising poultry

Moderator: Megan Champine, Manager, AgriBusiness Claims, Crum & Forster, Southfield, MI

Tim M. Agajanian, Esq., Partner, Ropers, Majeski, Kohn & Bentley, Los Angeles, CA

Ashley Bunge, Executive Underwriter AgriBusiness, Crum & Forster, Des Moines, IA

Robert L. Guenther, Senior Vice President, Public Policy, United Fresh Produce Association, Washington, D.C.

10:00 AM: Proposition 65: Best Practices for Implementing the Food & Beverage Safe Harbor Warnings

Jeffrey A. Keithline, Esq., Partner, Keller and Heckman LLP, Washington, D.C.

Amy P. Lally, Esq., Partner, Sidley Austin LLP, Los Angeles, CA

10:30 AM: Break (Lakeshore Ballroom Foyer)

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10:45 AM: Class Action Litigation Developments

Steven P. Blonder, Esq., Principal, Much Shelist, P.C., Chicago, IL

Jennifer Elmer, Senior Counsel – Americas, Barilla America, Inc., Chicago, IL

Chantale Fiebig, Esq., Partner, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, Washington, D.C.

Steven A. Hart, Esq., Hart McLaughlin & Eldridge, Chicago, IL

11:30 AM: Recent & Future Trends in the Hospitality Industry

Moderator: Brian D. Gross, Esq., MG+M The Law Firm, Boston, MA

Kathleen G. Fuell, Esq., Regional Liability Adjuster, Major Case Unit Claims, The Hanover Insurance Group, Worcester, MA

Michael L. Martinez, Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel, Dispute Resolution, Marriott International, Inc., Bethesda, MD

12:00 PM: Lunch (*on your own*)

1:15 PM: Proactive Approach to Human Resource Issues in the Food & Beverage Industry

Punam Kaji, Assistant General Counsel – Employment & Litigation, Ben E. Keith Company, Fort Worth, TX

Samera Syeda Ludwig, Esq., Partner, Lowis & Gellen LLP, Chicago, IL

Thomas L. McCally, Esq., Equity Partner, Carr Maloney P.C., Washington, D.C.

Diane Sanford, PHR, SHRM-CP, Chief People Officer, On the Border Mexican Restaurants, Dallas, TX

2:00 PM: Update on Dram Shop and Liquor Liability

Moderator: Gabriel S. Slominski, Esq., Assistant Vice President, Surplus & Specialty Lines, Crum & Forster, Chicago, IL

Christopher Ballantyne, CPCU, SCLA, ARM, Chief Claims Officer, McNeil & Company Inc., Cortland, NY

Craig J. Compoli, Jr., Esq., Partner, O'Toole Scrivo, Cedar Grove, NJ

Jacob Felderman, Esq., Partner, Tyson & Mendes, Denver, CO

2:45 PM: Break (Lakeshore Ballroom Foyer)

3:00 PM: The In-House Counsel Perspectives

Moderator: Stephen M. Mahieu, Senior Counsel, Litigation, The Kraft Heinz Company, Chicago, IL

Douglas Besman, Esq., Senior Counsel, Head of Litigation, Nestlé USA, Inc., Solon, OH

Kenneth Odza, Corporate Counsel, Food Safety, Kellogg Company, Portage, MI

Melissa S. Sellers, Senior Director & Chief Counsel, Supply Chain and International, The Hershey Company, Hershey, PA

Shayon T. Smith, Assistant General Counsel - Global Litigation, The Hershey Company, Hershey, PA

4:00 PM: The Ethical Issues with the Growing Trend of CBD and Marijuana Related Products in the F&B Industry

- Ethical challenges from growing to dispensing
- Are you in compliance with federal law but not state law?
- The insurance and legal risks

Kay Barnes Baxter, Esq., Managing Partner, Foley & Mansfield, New Orleans, LA

James DiGiulio, Esq., Partner, O'Toole Scrivo, Cedar Grove, NJ

Jason Lang, CIH, Manager, RHP Risk Management Inc., Chicago, IL

Cicely Simpson, President & CEO, Summit Public Affairs, LLC, Washington, D.C.

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (Lakeshore Ballroom Foyer)

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