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September 9-11, 2019
Fairmont San Francisco Hotel
San Francisco, CA

Conference Co-Chairs:

Perry J. Browder, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, Alton, IL

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Esq., Executive Vice President, Special Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

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Sunday, September 8, 2019

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM: Women Raising the Bar Service Project *(Located in the Terrace Room)*

Women from both sides of the asbestos aisle join forces to support Raphael House, a San Francisco based non-profit helping low-income and homeless families. Participants will be packing care bags for Raphael House clients, followed by an intro to yoga session presented by CorePower Yoga and healthy refreshments.

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM: Pre-Conference Registration *(Located in the Garden Room)*

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception *(Located in the Crown Room)*

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Monday, September 9, 2019

7:15 AM: Breakfast and Registration *(Breakfast Located in the Terrace Room and Registration in the Grand Ballroom Foyer)*

Sponsored by: Forman Watkins & Krutz LLP

8:15 AM: Welcome & Opening Remarks by Conference Chairs *(Located in the Grand Ballroom)*

Perry J. Browder, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, Alton, IL

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Esq., Executive Vice President, Special Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

Anne McGinness Kearse, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

John B. Manning, Esq., MG+M The Law Firm, Boston, MA

8:30 AM: National Trends Driving Asbestos Litigation

- Filing Trends and Hot Jurisdictions
- Recent Verdict Trends
- Critical Issues and Prospective Outlook

Moderator: Thomas W. Tardy, III, Esq., Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC, Jackson, MS

Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Belluck & Fox, LLP, New York, NY

Larry Nassif, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, New York, NY

Michael Owen, Vice President, Director APH Claims, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

Megan Shockley, Senior Manager, KCIC, Washington, DC

9:30 AM: Update on Talc Litigation

- Update on Federal Removal

- Who is Filing Cases and Where
- Talc Testing Strategies and Methodologies
- Role of Talc Related Organizations in the Litigation
- Geological Issues in Talc Trials
- The Role of Alternative Exposures and Industrial Hygiene

James Kramer, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, New York, NY

Jennifer J. Lee, Esq., Dentons US LLP, Oakland, CA

Erin Voyik, Vice President, Director, Claims Legal Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

10:30 AM: Break

Sponsored by: Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC

10:45 AM: Punitive Damages

- Punitive Damages Verdicts and Decisions
- Punitive Damages Standards and Purposes
- The appropriateness of current “Punishment” and “Deterrence” in the context of asbestos claims

Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Belluck & Fox, LLP, New York, NY

Kristen R. Fournier, Esq., Orrick Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, New York, NY

Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

11:15 AM: The Future of Lung Cancer Cases

- Filings, Trends and Verdicts
- Plaintiffs and Defendants’ Strategies
- Non-Smoking Lung Cancer Cases
- Epidemiology of Asbestos Associated Lung Cancer
- Genetic Markers and Attribution Between Smoking and Asbestos

Moderator: Mark G. Zellmer, Esq., Husch Blackwell LLP, St. Louis, MO

Jennifer L. Alesio, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy, San Francisco, CA

David N. Lutz, Esq., Bowman & Brooke LLP, Minneapolis, MN

Ben Schmickle, Esq., SWMW Law, St. Louis, MO

12:15 PM: Lunch *(On Your Own)*

12:15 PM: Women’s Lunch *(Located in the Terrace Room)*

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Moderator: Jennifer M. Studebaker, Esq., Forman Watkins & Krutz LLP, Jackson, MS

Beverly M. Bond, Esq., Gordon & Rees, Dallas, TX

Megan Cook, Esq., Bullivant Houser Bailey PC, Portland, OR

Alexandra Nassopoulos, Senior Asbestos Claims Analyst, Resolute Management, Inc., Boston, MA

Deborah Rosenthal, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, San Francisco, CA

1:30 PM: Diagnosis and Pathogenesis of Mesothelioma

- Gene-Environment Interaction
- Alternative Causes of Mesothelioma
- BAP1 Gene Mutation
- Treatments and Life Expectancy

- Genomics of Asbestos-Related Cancer: Evidence for Alternative Causation?

Moderator: Peter A. Moir, Esq., Forman Watkins Krutz LLP, New Orleans, LA
Arnold R. Brody, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Department of Pathology, Tulane University Medical School, New Orleans, LA
Robyn L. Prueitt, Ph.D., DABT, Senior Toxicologist, Gradient, Seattle, WA
Allyson M. Romani, Esq., Shrader & Associates, L.L.P., Houston, TX
Len Van Zyl, Ph.D., Chief Executive Officer, ArrayXpress, Inc., Raleigh, NC

2:30 PM: The Insurer and Policyholder Relationship and Its Impact on the Asbestos Litigation

- Managing the Tripartite Relationship
- Reservation of Rights
- What to do when you have multiple carriers
- Discussion of recent coverage decisions and their potential impact

Moderator: Jeremy D. Milbrodt, Esq., Prindle, Goetz, Barnes & Reinholtz LLP, Long Beach, CA
Christopher Annunziato, Counsel, Volvo Group North America, LLC, Mack Trucks Inc., Greensboro, NC
Daisy Khambatta, Esq., Kennedys, Austin, TX
Richard Murch, Vice President, Manager, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH
Alexandra Nassopoulos, Senior Asbestos Claims Analyst, Resolute Management, Inc., Boston, MA
Frederick C. Schaefer, Esq., Associate Vice President, Nationwide Indemnity, Wausau, WI
Loree J. Shelko, Director of Litigation, Assistant General Counsel, Meritor, Inc., Troy, MI

3:30 PM: Break

Sponsored by: Matushek Nilles LLC

3:45 PM: Data and Technology in Asbestos Litigation

- Data and the Different Uses in Asbestos Litigation
- What You Can Track and What You Can Learn
- Data Security
- Privacy Issues and the Ethical Standards
- Court Reporters who have evidentiary transcripts

Moderator: Malcolm S. Brisker, Esq., Goodell, DeVries, Leech & Dann, LLP, Baltimore, MD
Kevin Chenelle, Manager, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH
Howard P. Goldberg, Esq., MG+M The Law Firm, Boston, MA
Marc C. Scarcella, Principal, Roux Associates, Inc., Arlington, VA

4:45 PM: The State of the Bankruptcy Trusts

- What Trusts Exist?
- What are the True Values in Bankruptcy?
- Can Someone be Made Whole with Bankruptcy Compensation?
- Who Eats the Share When There is a Bankruptcy, the Plaintiff or Defendant?
- How Do You Get Documents from a Bankruptcy Trust?
- State Transparency Legislation Impact and Trends

John A. Baden, IV, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC
Lisa Nathanson Busch, Esq., Weitz & Luxenberg P.C., New York, NY
Bruce E. Mattock, Esq., Goldberg Persky White P.C., Pittsburgh, PA

Joseph J. Welter, Esq., Goldberg Segalla, Buffalo, NY

5:30 PM: Adjourn

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (Located at MG+M The Law Firm San Francisco office)
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Tuesday, September 10, 2019

7:30 AM: Continental Breakfast (Located in the Terrace Room)

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8:30 AM: Addressing Medicare Secondary Payer (MSP) Obligations in Asbestos Settlements

- Overview of the MSP Act
- Special Considerations in Asbestos Settlements
- 2018 Department of Justice Activities in Asbestos Litigation?

Katie Barker, Associate Claims Counsel and Support Manager, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

Courtney Delaney, Esq., Sr. Director, MSP Policy, Epiq, Charlotte, NC

Charles Medlin, Founder, LitPro LLC, Charlotte, NC

9:00 AM: Talc Science

- Talc Mineralogy
- Site Assessment and Characterization of Talc
- Epidemiological Studies of Cosmetic Talc
- Asbestiform v. Non-Asbestiform Talc

Moderator: Marc S. Gaffrey, Esq., Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas, LLP, New Brunswick, NJ

Monica A. Cooper, Esq., The Lanier Law Firm, P.C., Houston, TX

Christopher S. Kozak, Esq., Landman Corsi Ballaine & Ford, PC, Newark, NJ

9:45 AM: Break

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10:00 AM: Then and Now: What Can We Do Differently in the Future?

- What have we accomplished?
 - What Lessons Have We Learned?
- Where have we been struggling?
 - What can we do to meet those challenges?
- Are we dreaming the impossible dream or living the ultimate nightmare?
 - Is this the definition of insanity?

Bobbie R. Bailey, Esq., Leader Berkon Colao & Silverstein LLP, Los Angeles, CA

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Esq., Executive Vice President, Special Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

Charles M. Ferguson, Esq., Weitz & Luxenberg P.C., New York, NY

Holly A. Harris, Esq., Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company, San Ramon, CA
Thomas Ryan, President, Resolute Management Inc., Boston, MA

11:00 AM: Jurisdictional Update – Overview of the Most Active and Emerging Jurisdictions

- Recent Filing Trends and Verdicts
- Impact on Judicial Resources by Talc Filings and Personal Jurisdiction Rulings
- Trends in Federal Asbestos Litigation – Courts, Judges, Parties, Counsel, Experts
- Legal Analytics for Asbestos Litigation – Case Timing, Motions, Findings, Damages, Resolutions

Laurence H. Brown, Esq., Brookman, Rosenberg, Brown & Sandler, Philadelphia, PA
Owen Byrd, Chief Evangelist & General Counsel, Lex Machina, Menlo Park, CA
Meagan E. Dean, Esq., McGivney, Kluger & Cook, P.C., Syracuse, NY
Aaron Heckaman, Esq., Bailey Cowan Heckaman, Houston, TX
Nicholas J. Vogelzang, Esq., Vogelzang Law, Chicago, IL
Sharon Zinns, Esq., Beasley Allen, Atlanta, GA

12:00 PM: Lunch (*On Your Own*)

12:00 PM: Young Lawyers Lunch – Talking Talc: Tips for Navigating New Challenges Associated with Litigating Talc Cases in Traditional Asbestos Dockets (*Located at Wayfare Tavern, 558 Sacramento St.*)
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Moderators: **Jesse G. Ainlay, Esq.**, Cetrulo LLP, Boston, MA
R. Jack Granato, Esq., Cetrulo LLP, Boston, MA
James Kramer, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, New York, NY
Corey M. Schaecher, Esq., Husch Blackwell LLP, St. Louis, MO
Erin Voyik, Vice President, Director, Claims Legal Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

1:15 PM: Judicial Perspectives

- Jury Selection and Other Trial Tips
- Top Mistakes Attorneys Make in Civil Litigation

Moderator: **Nicholas J. Vogelzang, Esq.**, Vogelzang Law, Chicago, IL
Moderator: **Megan Slowikowski, Esq.**, Sinars Slowikowski Tomaska, Chicago, IL
Hon. David S. Cunningham III, Los Angeles Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA
Hon. Michael M. Markman, Alameda County Superior Court, Oakland, CA
Hon. Clare E. McWilliams, Circuit Court of Cook County, Chicago, IL
Hon. Arnold L. New, Coordinating Judge, Complex Litigation Center, Philadelphia, PA

2:15 PM: Technological Advances Including Artificial Intelligence and its Impacts

- Adding Technology to the Arsenal: Focus Groups, Mock Trials, Presenting Witnesses as Trial, Conducting Video Depositions, ESI Discovery

Richard J. Arsenault, Esq., Neblett, Beard & Arsenault, Alexandria, LA
Khalidoun A. Baghdadi, Esq., Walkup, Melodia, Kelly & Schoenberger, San Francisco, CA
Sarah L. Paszkiewicz, CEO, Founder, Paszkiewicz Court Reporting & Records Retrieval, Glen Carbon, IL
Joseph Thorpe, Chief Executive Officer, International Litigation Services, Inc., Los Angeles, CA
James M. Williams, Esq., Chehardy Sherman Williams, Metairie, LA

3:15 PM: Break

Sponsored by: Eppley Court Reporting

3:30 PM: Opening Statements: How Important is the First Pitch?

Panelists will discuss effective techniques for persuading jurors in opening statements. Session attendees will watch excerpts of actual Courtroom View Network footage of the plaintiff and defense openings in a recent trial and highlights of surrogate jurors' reactions to the same opening statements.

Moderator: Susan G. Fillichio, Esq., Trial Consultant, DecisionQuest, Los Angeles, CA
Anne McGinness Kearse, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC
Edward M. Slaughter, Esq., Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP, Dallas, TX

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Wednesday, September 11, 2019

8:15 AM: Continental Breakfast (*Located in the Terrace Room*)

9:15 AM: National Legal Decisions Directly Impacting Asbestos Litigation

- Personal Jurisdiction
- Bare Metal Defense
- Workers Compensation
- Punitive Damages
- Legislative Initiatives Review

John P. Arranz, Esq., Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP, Chicago, IL
Lindsey A. Cheek, Esq., The Cheek Law Firm, LLC, New Orleans, LA
Christopher T. Layloff, Esq., The Gori Law Firm, Edwardsville, IL
Jason M. Saul, Esq., Cetrulo LLP, Boston, MA

10:15 AM: Ethics and Civility in the Courtroom

- National Guidelines for Attorney Ethics
- Civility and Professionalism
- What's Effective in the Courtroom

Katharine C. Byrne, Esq., Cooney & Conway, Chicago, IL
Hon. Kay Hanlon (Ret.), Senior Mediator & Arbitrator, ADR Systems, Chicago, IL
Mary T. McKelvey, Esq., Polsinelli, Los Angeles, CA
Gregory M. McMahon, Esq., Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC, Chicago, IL
Hon. Clare E. McWilliams, Circuit Court of Cook County, Chicago, IL

11:15 AM: Co-Chair Closing Remarks

11:30 AM: Conclusion

**Speakers & Agenda are subject to change*

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Who: All attendees and speakers are welcome to attend.

Where: Terrace Room at the Fairmont Hotel. Come any time from 2:00pm – 5:00pm.

What: Women from both sides of the asbestos aisle join forces to support Raphael House, a San Francisco based non-profit helping low-income and homeless families. Participants will be packing care bags for Raphael House clients, followed by an intro to yoga session presented by CorePower Yoga and healthy refreshments.

For questions and to RSVP, contact Kerri at kforsythe@mgmlaw.com.

BREAKOUT LUNCHES:

All attendees and speakers are welcome at these breakout lunches.

Women's Lunch (Monday, September 9th at 12:00pm)

This lunch will be held in the Terrace Room at the Fairmont Hotel. The lunch is sponsored by Gordon & Rees, Pohlman USA Court Reporting and Pond North LLP. There is no RSVP required to attend the lunch.

Young Lawyers Lunch (Tuesday, September 10th at 12:00pm)

This lunch is held at an offsite location. The restaurant is the Wayfare Tavern, 558 Sacramento Street, San Francisco. The lunch is sponsored by Cetrulo LLP. Please RSVP to Bethany Corio (bcorio@perrinconferences.com) if you plan to attend.

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