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Perrin Conferences
Sexual Abuse Litigation and Coverage Conference
Thursday, October 17, 2024
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8:00 AM – 8:45 AM: Registration (Reception Area- 2nd Floor)

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM: Welcome and Opening Remarks (Meeting Hall- 2nd Floor)

Tracey McDevitt Hagan, Esq., Reilly, McDevitt & Henrich, P.C., Philadelphia, PA
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9:00 AM – 10:00 AM: Sexual Abuse Litigation, Legislative Update, and Trends

- Jurisdictional updates on case law and legislation
- Recent decisions
- How to manage a mediation and special considerations
- Issues related to clergy sexual abuse and sexual abuse

Amy Craft, Esq., Sinars Slowikowski Tomaska, Seattle, WA
Mitchell Garabedian, Esq., Law Offices of Mitchell Garabedian, Boston, MA
Suzanne Halbardier, Esq., Barry McTiernan & Moore LLC, New York, NY
David Inscho, Esq., Kline & Specter, Philadelphia, PA
Kathryn Robb, Esq., National Director, Children's Justice Campaign, Boston, MA

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM: Types of Coverages Potentially Available

- Comprehensive General Liability (Historic and Current)
- Employment Practices Liability (EPL)
- Sexual Abuse and Molestation Coverage and Exclusions (SAM)
- Professional Liability including Sexual Misconduct Sublimits
- Hospital Professional Liability (HPL) / Medical Liability and Malpractice (MedMal)
- Directors & Officers (D&O)
- Occurrence based coverage versus occurrence reported or claims made coverage
- What underlying claim allegations and facts inform the type of coverage potentially available
- Defense obligation under different types of coverages and for different types of claims

- Status of the coverage litigation and lost policy issues
- Proving the existence and terms of lost policies

Elizabeth Hanke, Senior Managing Director, KCIC, Washington, DC

Mark Hatley, Sr. Managing Consultant, Arcina Risk Group, Los Angeles, CA

Eve-Lynn Gisonni, Esq., Saxe Doernberger & Vita, P.C., Trumbull, CT

11:00 AM – 11:15 AM: Break (Reception Area)

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11:15 AM – 12:15 PM: Ethics

- Humanizing the litigation
- Ethical rules
- Decorum ethics
- Tripartite relationship

Michael Appelbaum, Esq., Goldberg Segalla, Buffalo, NY

Sarah G. Klein, Esq., Manly, Stewart & Finaldi and Dalton & Associates, P.A.,
Wilmington, DE

Catherine Dickinson, Esq., Schlachman, Belsky, Weiner & Davey, Baltimore, MD

Brenda Harkavy, Esq., Raynes & Lawn, Philadelphia, PA

12:15 PM – 1:30 PM: Lunch (*on your own*)

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Damages, Valuation, Settlements, and Nuclear Verdicts®

- Putting a number to these challenging cases
- What factors do you use?
- Best practices to prevent Nuclear Verdicts®
- Addressing Medical liens in Sexual Abuse Settlements

Courtney Delaney, Senior Director, Class Action and Mass Tort Solutions, Epiq,
Belmont, NC

Ashley Lynam, Esq., Montgomery McCracken & Rhoads LP, Philadelphia, PA

Thomas L. McCally, Esq., Carr Maloney, Washington, DC

Ben Mermelstein, PhD, FCAS, Partner, High Rock Analytics, Pittsburgh, PA

Danielle Pascale, Esq., Tyson & Mendes, New York, NY

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM: Early Investigation and Mediation: How to Own the Information

- Benefits of early investigation and special considerations.
- Interplay between investigator/PR firm/attorney
- Implications for attorney-client privilege work product
- Finding insurance policies to respond to the litigation

Kristen Drake, President, PolicyFind, Indianapolis, IN

Margaret (Peg) Jenks, Esq., Reilly McDevitt Henrich, Cherry Hill, NJ

Lisa M. Rau, Judge (Ret.), Resonate Mediation, Philadelphia, PA

Sarah Sabbagh, Senior Claims Expert, Vice President, Swiss Re, Granby, CT

Hilary Simon, Esq., Kennedys, New York, NY

3:30 PM- 3:45 PM: Break (Reception Area)

3:45 PM – 4:30 PM: Human Trafficking Litigation

- Victim advocacy and support: Understanding trauma, supporting survivors, and working with experts

Benjamin W. Bull, General Counsel and Executive Vice President, National Center on Sexual Exploitation, Washington, DC

Theresa Coetzee, Vice President & Assistant General Counsel, Marriott International Inc., Bethesda, MD

Robert K. Jenner, Esq., Jenner Law, Baltimore, MD

Deborah Rosenthal, Claims Counsel, Nationwide, Somerville, NJ

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM: A View from The Bench

Hon. Suzanne Adams, A.J.S.C., Supreme Court, New York County, Civil Term, New York, NY

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5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (offsite location)

St. Patrick's Bar & Grill, 22 West 46th Street

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