



# **CUTTING EDGE** **ISSUES IN ASBESTOS** **LITIGATION**

*Eden Roc Miami Beach Resort*  
*March 4-5, 2025*

## **Conference Co-Chairs**

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**Perrin Conferences**  
**Cutting-Edge Issues in Asbestos Litigation Conference**  
**Eden Roc Hotel (Miami, FL)**  
**March 4-5, 2025**

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**Monday, March 3, 2025**

**5:30 PM – 6:30 PM – Networking Cocktail Reception** (Eden Roc Garden)

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**Tuesday, March 4, 2025**

**8:00 AM – 8:45 AM – Registration and Light Breakfast** (Eden Roc II Foyer)  
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**8:45 AM – 9:00 AM – Welcome and Co-Chair Opening Remarks** (Eden Roc II)

**Anthony S. Guardione**, Senior Counsel, Travelers, Hartford, CT

**Lisa L. Oberg, Esq.**, Husch Blackwell, Oakland, CA

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

**Perry Weitz Esq.**, Weitz & Luxenberg P.C., New York, NY

**9:00 AM – 10:00 AM – The Top Emerging Trends in Asbestos Litigation**

- Filing trends: Disease, jurisdiction and plaintiff firms
- Hot and emerging jurisdictions
- Defense-Plaintiff Coordination

**Joe Belluck, Esq.**, Belluck Law, LLP, New York, NY

**Kathrin Hashemi**, Director, KCIC, Washington, DC

**Michael Maienza, Esq.**, Vogelzang Law, Chicago, IL

**Erin Voyik**, VP/Director, APO Strategy & Claims Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

**10:00 AM – 10:45 AM – The Impact of Artificial Intelligence in Asbestos Litigation**

- What are the applications in this litigation?
- Competitive advantages
- Pitfalls

**Jaime Careathers, Esq.**, Maron Marvel, Jersey City, NJ

*Additional Speakers to be Added.*

**10:45 AM – 11:00 AM – Break** (Eden Roc II Foyer)

**11:00 AM – 12:00 PM – The Impact of the Pennsylvania Tooey Case**

- PA Supreme Court expands employer liability for latent occupational disease claims

**Matthew J. Adair, Esq.**, Cooney & Conway, Chicago, IL

**Michael C. Cooney, Esq.**, Cooney & Conway, Chicago, IL

**Holly Diehl, Esq.**, SWMW Law, Pittsburgh, PA

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

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM – Women’s Networking Lunch** (Spa Garden)

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM – Lunch** (on your own)

**1:15 PM – 2:15 PM – Recent Large Verdicts**

- Where are the resources going?
- Jurisdictional impact
- How do you evaluate the risk?

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

**Christopher T. Layloff, Esq.**, The Gori Law Firm, Edwardsville, IL

**Lisa L. Oberg, Esq.**, Husch Blackwell, Oakland, CA

**Michael Owen**, Vice President, Claims Counsel, Trial and Litigation Support, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

**Amanda Webber**, Senior Claims Technical Director, Allianz Resolution Management, Petaluma, CA

**2:15 PM – 3:15 PM – The In-House Counsel and Insurance Perspectives**

**Moderator: Matt Alva, Esq.**, Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila, LLP, Chicago, IL

**David Breslau**, Senior Asbestos Claim Analyst – Asbestos Strategic Unit, Resolute Management, Inc., Philadelphia, PA

**Kate Cook**, Assistant General Counsel, Jacobs, Boston, MA

**3:15 PM – 3:30 PM – Break** (Eden Roc II Foyer)

**3:30 PM – 4:00 PM – The Developing Science and Medicine on Genetic Cancer Treatments**

- Genetic causes of lung cancer
- The differences between pleural and peritoneal mesothelioma

*Speakers to be added.*

**4:00 PM – 5:00 PM – The Judicial Perspectives**

**Moderator: Jason P. Eckerly, Esq.**, Segal McCambridge, Chicago, IL  
**Hon. Andrew Carruthers**, Circuit Court, Madison County, Edwardsville, IL  
**Hon. Andrew J. Gleeson**, Twentieth Judicial Circuit, Circuit Judge, St. Clair County, Belleville, IL

*Additional Speakers to be Added.*

**5:00 PM – 6:00 PM – Networking Cocktail Reception** (Eden Roc Garden)

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**Wednesday, March 5, 2025**

**8:30 AM – 9:15 AM – Light Breakfast** (Eden Roc II Foyer)  
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**9:15 AM – 10:00 AM – Recent Bankruptcies and the Impact on Asbestos Litigation**

**Lisa Nathanson Busch, Esq.**, Simmons Hanly Conroy, New York, NY  
**Eric R. Goodman, Esq.**, Brown Rudnick, Washington, DC  
**Mary Margaret Gay, Esq.**, Gay Jones & Kuhn PLLC, Jackson, MS

**10:00 AM – 11:00 AM – New York: New Judge, New Rules, New NYCAL**

**Moderator: Kerryann Cook, Esq.**, The Cook Group, New York, NY

**Moderator: Perry Weitz Esq.**, Weitz & Luxenberg P.C., New York, NY  
**Hon. Adam Silvera**, Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York, NY  
**Hon. Eric Schumacher**, Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York, NY

### **11:00 AM – 11:30 AM – Innovations in Lien Resolution**

**Mark Eveland**, CEO, Verus LLC, Princeton, NJ

*Additional Speaker to be Added.*

### **11:30 AM – 12:30 PM – Mental Health at Work and the Ethical Considerations**

**Melanie Chung-Tims, Esq.**, MG+M The Law Firm, Miami, FL  
**Kevin Hanneman, Esq.**, The Cook Group, New York, NY

*Additional Speakers to be Added.*

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*\*Speaker and Agenda are subject to change.*

### **CONFERENCE LOCATION**

**Eden Roc Miami Beach Hotel  
4525 Collins Ave  
Miami Beach, FL 33140**

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