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LITIGATION CONFERENCE**

**OCT. 14, 2021**  
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## **Food & Beverage Litigation Conference**

### **Thursday, October 14, 2021**

#### **The Westin Michigan Avenue Chicago (Chicago, IL)**

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The conference will be held in the Chicago Ballroom on the 16<sup>th</sup> floor. Please use the West Elevator Bank (located by main entrance of hotel) to access the Chicago Ballroom.

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#### **7:30 AM – 8:30 AM CT: Registration**

#### **8:30 AM – 8:45 AM CT: Welcome and Co-Chair Opening Remarks**

**Craig J. Compoli, Jr., Esq.**, O'Toole Scrivo, Cedar Grove, NJ  
**Stephen M. Mahieu, Esq.**, Chief Counsel, Litigation, The Kraft Heinz Company, Chicago, IL  
**Gabriel S. Slominski, Esq.**, Vice President, Surplus & Specialty Lines, Crum & Forster, Chicago, IL

#### **8:45 AM – 9:45 AM CT: Trends in the F&B and Hospitality Industries: Where Are We Going Next?**

- The Long-Term Impact of COVID-19 Impact on the Food Industry
- Overview of Executive Orders

**Teresa Dryden-Smith**, Executive Specialist, Surplus & Specialty Lines, Crum & Forster, Chicago, IL  
**Michael L. Martinez**, Senior Vice President and Associate General Counsel, Dispute Resolution, Marriott International, Inc., Bethesda, MD  
**R. Trent Taylor, Esq.**, McGuireWoods, Richmond, VA  
**David Willis, Esq.**, MG+M The Law Firm, Boston, MA

#### **9:45 AM – 10:45 AM CT: Class Action Litigation Development**

**Steven P. Blonder, Esq.**, Much Shelist, P.C., Chicago, IL  
**Kelly Daley**, Director, Burford Capital, Chicago, IL  
**Jennifer Elmer**, Deputy General Counsel - Americas, Barilla Group, Northbrook, IL  
**Jack B. Prior, Esq.**, Hart McLaughlin & Eldridge, Chicago, IL

#### **10:45 AM – 11:00 AM CT: Break**

## 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM CT: Social Inflation and Dram Shop Update

- Jury verdict trends before and after COVID
- Effect of social inflation on dram shop liability
- Strategies to avoid runaway verdicts
- Dram Shop Law with the Proliferation of the Legalization of Marijuana and the Opioid Epidemic

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

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

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

**Megan Slominski**, Director, Commercial Claims, Crum & Forster, Chicago, IL

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

## 1:15 PM – 2:00 PM CT: Regulatory Issues

- Privacy & Data Strategy
- Regulation on Ransomware Attacks
- Trends that are Ahead of the Regulations
- Current Enforcement by the FDA
- Cocktails-To-Go: How COVID is Affecting Regulations

**Rick Duda**, Vice President, Associate General Counsel-Operations, Ingredion Incorporated, Westchester, IL

**William D. O'Donoghue, Esq.**, Georges & Synowiecki, Chicago, IL

**Kimberly Pack**, Associate General Counsel, Anheuser-Busch, St. Louis, MO

## 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM CT: In-House Counsel Perspective

**Moderator: Stephen M. Mahieu, Esq.**, Chief Counsel, Litigation, The Kraft Heinz Company, Chicago, IL

**Matthew R. Dornauer**, General Counsel, Phusion Projects, LLC, Chicago, IL

**Cherise Latortue**, Associate General Counsel, Flynn Restaurant Group, San Francisco, CA

**Theresa Robbins Shea, Esq.**, Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Utz Brands, Inc., Hanover, PA

## 3:00 PM – 3:15 PM CT: Break

## 3:15 PM – 4:15 PM CT: The Ethical Issues with the Changing Trends 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?
- Evolving toxicological concerns regarding CBD purity and use
- The insurance and legal risks
- Legalization
- Emerging Issues of THC – Delta 8 and Delta 10
- Cannabis screening at work

**Carla J. Kinslow, Ph.D.**, Director, Toxicology and Food Safety Practice, Rimkus Consulting Group, Inc., Portland, OR

**Gregory M. Meihn, Esq.**, Foley & Mansfield, Ferndale, MI

**Dean A. Rocco, Esq.**, Wilson Elser, Los Angeles, CA

#### **4:15 PM – 5:00 PM CT: Hot Topics in F&B and Hospitality**

- Tribal Courts & Law – navigating tribal sovereignty and jurisdictional issues in the food / beverage and hospitality industry
- ADA claims against restaurants and hotels by mass filers and some strategies to avoid or defend them

**Tim M. Agajanian, Esq.**, Ropers Majeski PC, Los Angeles, CA

**D. Michelle Douglas, Esq.**, Kalbian Hagerty LLP, Washington, DC

**Gregory J. Duca, Esq.**, Managing Director, A.G. Risk Management, New York, NY

**Jana M. Simmons, Esq.**, Gordon & Rees, Detroit, MI

#### **5:00 PM – 6:00 PM CT: Networking Cocktail Reception**

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#### ***Conference Details and Information:***

#### **REGISTRATION**

**Registration Cost: \$945**

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Chicago, IL 60611

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The current requirements are:

- All conference attendees and speakers to be fully vaccinated
- Attendees must have received their second vaccination at least two weeks prior to the first day of the conference
- Proof of vaccination will be required at registration for this event

- Masks are mandatory indoors at The Westin Michigan Avenue Chicago Hotel and at all Perrin functions including offsite receptions
- All registrants are required to stay home if there are sick or have been exposed to someone who is sick with the last 14 days (including but not limited to cough, fever, chills, shortness of breath, nausea or vomiting).
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