



## Perrin Conferences National Asbestos Litigation Conference

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**National Asbestos Litigation Conference**  
**September 12-13, 2023**  
**The Charleston Place (Charleston, SC)**

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**Monday, September 11, 2023**

**1:00 PM: Golf Outing at Bulls Bay Golf Club**

Kick off the conference by joining attendees and speakers for a round of golf at Bulls Bay Golf Club. For more information and to sign up, see the Golf Outing section at the end of the brochure. Transportation is provided to/from The Charleston Place Hotel.

**5:30 PM – 6:30 PM: Opening Networking Cocktail Reception** (*Market Street Circle – Outside 1<sup>st</sup> Floor*)  
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**Tuesday, September 12, 2023**

**7:45 AM – 8:45 AM: Registration and Continental Breakfast** (*Live Oak/Magnolia Foyer*)  
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**8:45 AM – 9:00 AM: Welcome & Opening Remarks by Co-Chairs** (*Live Oak/Magnolia Ballroom*)

**Perry J. Browder, Esq.**, Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, Alton, IL  
**John B. Manning, Esq.**, MG+M The Law Firm, Boston, MA  
**Joseph F. Rice, Esq.**, Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC  
**Erin M. Voyik, Esq.**, Vice President/Director, APO Global Initiatives and Claims Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

**9:00 AM – 10:00 AM: National Trends Driving Asbestos Litigation**

- Filing trends, hot jurisdictions and future projections
- Recent verdicts
- Appellate update

- Expansion of plaintiff asbestos firms

**Moderator: Sara M. Salger, Esq.**, The Gori Law Firm, Edwardsville, IL  
**David G. Arthur, Esq.**, Polsinelli, St. Louis, MO  
**Anthony S. Guardione**, Senior Counsel, Travelers, Hartford, CT  
**Laura Kingsley Hong, Esq.**, Tucker Ellis LLP, Cleveland, OH  
**Michelle Potter**, COO, Senior Managing Director, KCIC, Washington, DC  
**Jeffrey B. Simon, Esq.**, Simon Greenstone Panatier, Dallas, TX

### 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM: **Cosmetic Talc**

- Exposure and dose
- Who is wearing make-up? Who is using body powder?
- Luxury products vs. general products
- Recent talc verdicts
- Hot jurisdictions for cosmetic talc

**Moderator: Sabrina Mizrachi, Esq.**, VP, Deputy General Counsel, Litigation and Global Product Regulatory, The Estée Lauder Companies, Inc., New York, NY  
**James Kramer, Esq.**, Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, New York, NY  
**Leslie E. Lombardy, Esq.**, O’Toole Scrivo, Cedar Grove, NJ  
**Gary D. Sharp, Esq.**, Foley & Mansfield, Detroit, MI  
**Amanda Webber**, Claims Technical Director, Allianz Resolution America, Inc., Petaluma, CA

### 11:00 AM – 11:15 AM: **Break**

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### 11:15 AM – 12:15 PM: **The Insurer Perspective**

- Carrier views on trial activity in new jurisdictions
- Perspectives on emerging high-risk jurisdictions
- Collaboration and communication among insurers, insureds and counsel in the tripartite relationship

**Moderator: Nicole J. Diesa, Esq.**, Forman Watkins & Krutz LLP, Red Bank, NJ  
**David Breslau**, Senior Asbestos Claim Analyst-Asbestos Strategic Unit, Resolute Management, Inc., Philadelphia, PA  
**Amy E. Fitzpatrick, CPCU, SPPA, CCLA/FCLA**, Claims Manager, CoAction Specialty Insurance Group, Morristown, NJ  
**Rickey Glover**, Vice President, Director of Litigation, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

**Christopher Miller, Esq.**, Senior Technical Claims Specialist, Special Liability, Amerisure, Farmington Hills, MI  
**Frederick C. Schaefer**, Associate Vice President, Nationwide, Wausau, WI

**12:15 PM – 1:30 PM: NextGen Lunch: Understanding Gen Z: What to Know About the Next Generation of Jurors** (*The Charleston Grill Restaurant in The Charleston Place Hotel*) Attendance Open to All  
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**Moderator: Jesse Ainlay, Esq.**, Husch Blackwell LLP, Boston, MA  
**Moderator: Erica Dunmore, Esq.**, Cetrulo LLP, Boston, MA  
**David Breslau**, Senior Asbestos Claim Analyst-Asbestos Strategic Unit, Resolute Management, Inc., Philadelphia, PA  
**Ryan J. Roberts, Esq.**, Bullivant Houser, Seattle, WA  
**Perry Shusterman, Esq.**, Meiorowitz & Wasserberg, LLP, New York, NY

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

**1:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Assessing Case Risk in Asbestos Litigation: What Really Drives Case Value?**

- Primary factors that impact risk on a case
- Access and personal relationships
- Tolling agreements
- Tools and technology

**Moderator: Mary Margaret Gay, Esq.**, Gay Jones & Kuhn PLLC, Jackson, MS  
**Aaron Heckaman, Esq.**, Bailey Cowan Heckaman PLLC, Houston, TX  
**William D. Purnell, Esq.**, Bowman and Brooke LLP, Phoenix, AZ  
**T. Peyton Smith, Esq.**, Forman Watkins & Krutz LLP, Jackson, MS  
**Erin Smith-Corbally**, APO Unit Manager, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

**2:30 PM – 3:30 PM: Bankruptcy Updates**

- In depth discussion on the how's and why's
- Future predictions
- Intersection of talc and asbestos litigation
- Texas two-step
- Discuss meso and ovarian groups and their perspectives on settlement

**Moderator: Lisa Nathanson Busch, Esq.**, Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, New York, NY  
**John A. Baden IV, Esq.**, Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC  
**George R. Calhoun, Esq.**, Ifrah Law, Potomac, MD

**Scott D. Gilbert**, Legacy Liability Solutions Ltd., Washington, D.C.  
**Ann C. McMillan, Esq.**, Caplin & Drysdale, Washington, D.C.  
**David J. Molton, Esq.**, Brown Rudnick LLP, New York, NY

**3:30 PM – 3:45 PM: Break**

**3:45 PM – 4:45 PM: The Judicial Roundtable**

**Moderator: Kerryann M. Cook, Esq.**, The Cook Group, New York, NY  
**Moderator: Perry Weitz, Esq.**, Weitz & Luxenberg P.C., New York, NY  
**Hon. Erin P. Gall**, Oneida County Supreme Court, Utica, NY  
**Hon. Stephen Stobbs**, Circuit Court, Madison County, IL  
**Hon. Jean H. Toal**, Supreme Court of South Carolina, Columbia, SC

**4:45 PM – 6:00 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception** (*Live Oak/Magnolia Foyer*)  
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**Wednesday, September 13, 2023**

**7:45 AM – 8:30 AM: Continental Breakfast** (*Live Oak/Magnolia Foyer*)  
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**8:30 AM – 9:00 AM: NYCAL Update**

**Kerryann M. Cook, Esq.**, The Cook Group, New York, NY  
**Hon. Adam Silvera**, Supreme Court of the State of New York, New York, NY  
**Perry Weitz, Esq.**, Weitz & Luxenberg P.C., New York, NY

**9:00 AM – 10:00 AM: Personal Jurisdiction and Non-Traditional Jurisdictions**

- The nuances and challenges of taking cases in unique jurisdictions without historical asbestos filings
- CO, CT, IA, MA, OR, SC, etc.

**Stephen T. Armato, Esq.**, Cetrulo LLP, Boston, MA  
**Joseph W. Belluck, Esq.**, Belluck & Fox, LLP, New York, NY  
**David Halpern, Esq.**, The Halpern Law Firm, Philadelphia, PA  
**Nathan J. Law, Esq.**, Sandberg Phoenix, Chicago, IL  
**Nicholas J. Vogelzang, Esq.**, Vogelzang Law, Chicago, IL

### 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM: Chronic Legacy Insurance Policies

- Defense issues related to defunct entities
- Restructuring and bankruptcy
- Dissolution
- Receivership
- Identifying historical insurance assets

**Joseph W. Belluck, Esq.**, Belluck & Fox, LLP, New York, NY  
**Trey Branham, Esq.**, Dean Omar Branham Shirley, LLP, Dallas, TX  
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**John T. Lay, Jr., Esq.**, Gallivan, White & Boyd P.A., Columbus, SC  
**Edward A. Smallwood, Esq.**, Post & Schell, P.C., Pittsburgh, PA

### 11:15 AM – 11:30 AM: Break

### 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM: In-House Counsel Perspective

- Evolving challenges defending national asbestos litigation

**Moderator: Casey L. Austin, Esq.**, Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC, Charleston, SC  
**Moderator: Erin M. Voyik, Esq.**, Vice President/Director, APO Global Initiatives and Claims Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH  
**Bill Childs**, Assistant General Counsel, Litigation, 3M, St. Paul, MN  
**Sarah K. Lickus, Esq.**, Manager – Insurance, Litigation and Liability Risks, Boeing, Chicago, IL  
**Brendan J. Tuohy**, Senior Counsel – Litigation, National Grid, Waltham, MA  
**Nate Walker**, Associate General Counsel, Husqvarna Group, Charlotte, NC

**12:30 PM – 1:45 PM: Women’s Lunch** (*The Riviera Theater, 225 King St.- located across the street from The Charleston Place Hotel*)

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**Moderator: Bernadette Catalana, Esq.**, MG+M The Law Firm, New York, NY  
**Quincy Ann Marie Jones, Esq.**, Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP, Dallas, TX  
**Flavia Pemberton**, Vice President, Environmental Claims, Ascot, New York, NY  
**Melissa Schopfer, Esq.**, Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, Alton, IL  
**Paula L. Unrau, CPCU, CCLA**, Divisional Vice President, Asbestos & Environmental Claim Unit, Great American Insurance Group, Cincinnati, OH  
**Marsharee Wilcox**, Vice President, Claims, Brandywine Group of Insurance & Reinsurance Companies, Philadelphia, PA

### 1:45 PM – 2:45 PM: Ethics in Discovery Practice and Motions

- The importance of answering discovery honestly
- The ethical responsibility of maintaining good relations between plaintiff and defense attorneys

**John P. Arranz, Esq.**, Swanson, Martin & Bell, LLP, Chicago, IL

**Meagan E. Dean, Esq.**, McGivney Kluger Clark & Intoccia, P.C., Syracuse, NY

**Anne M. Kearse, Esq.**, Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

**Sophie Zavaglia, Esq.**, SWMW Law, St. Louis, MO

### 2:45 PM – 3:45 PM: Medical & Scientific Literature Update on Asbestos & Mesothelioma

- Pleural mesothelioma classification update
- Status of genomics in mesothelioma litigation

**Moderator: Douglas Sinars, Esq.**, Sinars Slowikowski Tomaska, Chicago, IL

**Nathan D. Finch, Esq.**, Motley Rice, Washington, D.C.

**Joshua D. Lee, Esq.**, Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila LLP, Chicago, IL

**Leonel van Zyl, PhD.**, Toxicogenomica, Raleigh, NC

### 3:45 PM – 4:45 PM: Corporate Representatives

- The impact of recent rulings limiting testimony of corporate representatives to their 'personal knowledge'
- What is personal knowledge of a corporate representative?
- What is the appropriate limitation of testimony?
- Plaintiff and defendant benefits to limiting the scope of testimony

**Darron E. Berquist, Esq.**, The Lanier Law Firm, New York, NY

**Sanjay Ghosh, Esq.**, Nelson Mullins, Atlanta, GA

**Ilana Waxman, Esq.**, Galiher DeRobertis & Waxman LLP, Honolulu, HI

**Claire C. Weglarz, Esq.**, Womble Bond Dickinson LLP, Los Angeles, CA

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

**4:45 PM – 6:30 PM: Closing Networking Cocktail Reception** (*The Riviera Theater, 225 King St.- located across the street from The Charleston Place Hotel*)  
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*Join us for the closing reception which will include live music by Bob Williams Duo, heavy hors d'oeuvres, stations and specialty cocktails.*

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**The Charleston Place (Charleston, SC)**

The Opening Networking Cocktail Reception will take place on the evening of Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. The conference is two full days on September 12-13, 2023.

An optional golf event is scheduled for Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1:00 PM. More information with details will be posted closer to the conference date. *\*Speaker and Agenda are subject to change.*

**CONFERENCE LOCATION**

**The Charleston Place Hotel, 205 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401**

**REGISTRATION**

**Registration Rates:** \$1395

In-house counsel and insurance claims professionals who assign work to outside counsel receive complimentary registration at Perrin Conferences.

Contact Bethany Corio (bcorio@perrinconferences.com) 610-220-1817 or Lynnsey Perrin (lperrin@perrinconferences.com) 610-804-6165 with questions or to register at the complimentary rate.

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Each registration includes private website access to course materials and admission to all sessions and networking events.

*Group discounts available, please inquire.*

**HOTEL ROOM BLOCK**

**The Charleston Place Hotel, 205 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29401**



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### **Mills House Hotel, 115 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC, 29401**

An additional room block is available for conference attendees and speakers. The group rate is \$319/night.

Mills House Charleston Room Block Link: <https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/perrin-room-block-2023/>

### **CLE & CE CREDIT INFORMATION**

Applications are being made to all CLE states as requested by attendees. CE Adjuster credit is pending approval for 12.0 credits in FL, NC, OK and TX. Please note, there will be no partial credit awarded for CE credit – The full conference must be attended to earn credit.

\*Perrin files for CLE approval for all requested states prior to the conference with materials provided, and therefore cannot guarantee accreditation by each jurisdiction's governing body.

Please send requests for state specific accreditation to Kelsey Minernd at [kaminernd@perrinconferences.com](mailto:kaminernd@perrinconferences.com).

### **GOLF OUTING AT BULLS BAY GOLF CLUB**

#### **Monday, September 11, 2023 at 1:00pm**

Join us for a round at Bulls Bay Golf Club with conference attendees and speakers. Format will be a golf scramble. The cost is \$275 per golfer, which includes roundtrip transportation from The Charleston Place Hotel, one round, cart, lunch, and drinks. Pairings will be set by the course.

Please register by September 5<sup>th</sup> using this Registration Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/perrin-conferences-golf-outing-at-bulls-bay-golf-club-tickets-668915653727>

Please contact Chelsea Lawson at [clawson@perrinconference.com](mailto:clawson@perrinconference.com) with any questions or concerns. No cancellations or refunds will be provided after September 5<sup>th</sup>. If renting a set of clubs, please contact the Bulls Bay Golf Club to reserve equipment.

Bulls Bay Golf Club, 995 Bulls Bay Boulevard, Awendaw, SC 29429 | (843) 881-2223

### CANCELLATION POLICY

If you cannot attend the conference, please notify us prior to August 29, 2023 and we will refund your fee or provide a credit for a future conference. The credit needs to be used within one year from the conference date.

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- Millers All Day
  - 120 King St, Charleston, SC
  - 8am - 3pm
- Callie's Hot Little Biscuit
  - 188 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC
  - 476 ½ King St, Charleston, SC,
  - 8am - 2pm
- Bodega
  - 23 Ann St, Charleston, SC
  - 7am - 2am

## THINGS TO SEE

- Historic Charleston City Market
  - 188 Meeting St, Charleston, SC
  - 9:30am - 5pm
- Rainbow Row
  - 83-107 E Bay St, Charleston, SC
- Pineapple Fountain
  - 1 Vendue Range, Charleston, SC



## LUNCH & DINNER

- Church & Union
  - 32b N Market Street, Charleston, SC
  - 11am - 10pm
- SNOB (Slightly North of Broad)
  - 192 East Bay Street, Charleston, SC
  - 11:30am through Dinner
- Magnolias
  - 185 East Bay Street, Charleston, SC
  - 11:30am - 9pm
- 167 Raw Oyster Bar
  - 193 King Steet, Charleston, SC
  - 11am - 11pm
- High Cotton
  - 199 E Bay Street, Charleston, SC
  - 4pm - 11pm
- HUSK
  - 76 Queen St, Charleston, SC
  - 5pm - 10pm
- Stars Rooftop
  - 495 King St, Charleston, SC
  - 5pm - 11pm
- Halls Chophouse
  - 434 King St, Charleston, SC
  - 4pm - 11pm
- The Darling Oyster Bar
  - 513 King St, Charleston, SC
  - 4pm - 10pm
- The Watch | Rooftop Kitchen & Spirits
  - 75 Wentworth St, Charleston, SC
  - 8am - 11pm



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