



National Construction Defect Conference November 13-15, 2019 The Ritz-Carlton, Fort Lauderdale

Fort Lauderdale, FL

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# Wednesday, November 13, 2019

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM: Opening Cocktail Reception (Located in Astor Foyer/Astor Terrace) Sponsored by: Boyle, Leonard & Anderson, P.A., Rimkus Consulting Group, Inc. and Segal, McCambridge, Singer & Mahoney, Ltd.

# Thursday, November 14, 2019

7:30 AM: Registration & Continental Breakfast (Located in Grand Ballroom Foyer) Sponsored by: Phelps Dunbar LLP

# 8:15 AM: Opening Remarks & Status of the Litigation

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# 8:30 AM: Breaking Good – Breaking Bad: A Coast to Coast Analysis on CD Trends

• Jurisdictional Update: Overview of the Most Active & Emerging Jurisdictions

Moderator: Jay R. Sever, Esq., Phelps Dunbar LLP, New Orleans, LA Matthew Adler, Senior Claims Consultant, AXA XL, Los Angeles, CA Jason W. Bruce, Esq., Pursiano Barry Bruce Demetriades Simon LLP, Winter Park, FL Eileen Jenkins, Manager Technical Claims- Liability, Builders Insurance Group, Philadelphia, PA Sarah Jane Robinson Matteo, Claim Director, Construction Defect Claims, Chubb, Chatsworth, CA Merrill Tyler, SCLA, Claims Manager, Casualty Claims, Navigators, a brand of The Hartford, Los Angeles, CA

# 9:30 AM: The Impact of FL Legislation Allowing Contribution Among Co-Carriers

• Speculating what will happen in FL after the statute

Moderator: Rebecca C. Appelbaum, Esq., Adams and Reese LLP, Tampa, FL Paul Amirata, Esq., Senior Vice President, CD/CGL Claims, Cranmore, St. Petersburg, FL Mark A. Boyle, Esq., Boyle, Leonard & Anderson, P.A., Fort Myers, FL Jason K. Gunther, Esq., Gunther McIntosh, PLLC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL Mary Rowe, Claims Manager Construction Defect, Markel Corporation, Red Bank, NJ

### **10:45 AM: Ongoing Issues with Recalcitrant Insurers**

• Is more cooperation in the industry possible?

Kenneth A. Bloom, Esq., gartner + bloom P.C., New York, NY Philip J. Collias, Senior Vice President, Lockton Companies, LLC, Los Angeles, CA Michael Hinojosa, Senior Vice President, Chief Claim Officer, National Claim Services, Inc., Atlanta,

GA

**George P. Pappas, Esq.,** Sheehy, Ware & Pappas, P.C., Houston, TX **Carlos K. Poza, Esq.,** MG+M The Law Firm, Walnut Creek, CA

# 11:30 AM: How Do Professionals in the CD Industry Develop Talent Within and Outside Their Organization?

Moderator: Thomas Gesner, CRIS, Claims Manager, Liberty Mutual Insurance, Dover, NH Paul S. Danner, Esq., Goldberg Segalla, Newark, NJ Brendan N. Keeley, Esq., Baumann, Gant & Keeley, P.A., Jacksonville, FL David Stern, President and Corporate Secretary, West Coast Casualty Services Inc., Los Angeles, CA

**Wilson Townsend**, Vice President, Director, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH **DeShaune Williams**, District Manager, Rimkus Consulting Group, Inc., Los Angeles, CA

# 12:30 PM: Lunch (on your own)

12:30 PM: Women's Networking Lunch (Located in Astor Ballroom) Sponsored by: CMBG3 Law, Gillaspy & Rhode PLLC, U.S. Legal Support, Inc. and Ver Ploeg & Marino, P.A.

**Kelly Behrens, CRIS,** Senior Claims Specialist, Vela Insurance Services LLC, Omaha, NE **Chelsea Fowler**, Technical Claims Specialist II, Liberty Mutual, Dover, NH **Sheri H. Roswell, Esq.,** Higgins, Hopkins, McLain & Roswell, LLC, Denver, CO

# 1:45 PM: An Update on Pre-Litigation Repair Processes and Risk Transfer in CD Litigation

- Legislative Activity in AZ, CA, NM, NV
- The Impact of Right to Repair: Does it work?

Moderator: Richard Righi, Esq., Righi Fitch Law Group, Phoenix, AZ Henrietta Hinojosa, Vice President, National Claim Services Inc., Atlanta, GA Luke Ryan, Esq., Shinnick & Ryan LLP, San Diego, CA Dave Simons, Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, KB Home, San Francisco, CA Stephen L. Weber, Esq., Kasdan LippSmith Weber Turner LLP, Phoenix, AZ

# 2:45 PM: Analysis of Professional Liability and General Liability

- Is there typically more PL coverage than GL coverage?
- Tension and conflict between these policies for the design community: Where is it heading?
- Tension and conflict between these policies in the defense of General Contractors and Construction Managers

Moderator: Steven Weiner, Esq., O'Toole Scrivo, Cedar Grove, NJ

**Paul J. Coffey,** Senior Claims Representative Construction Defect, The Main Street America Group, Keene, NH

**Rodrick Reed, CPCU,** Regional Claims Manager, Starr Adjustment Services, Inc. – A Member of Starr Companies, Los Angeles, CA

Scott D. Rembold, Esq., Rembold Hirschman, Coral Gables, FL

**Raymond Weisse,** Senior Vice President, Leader of Construction- GB Specialty Liability Practice Group, Gallagher Bassett., Danbury, CT

3:30 PM: Break Sponsored by: Core Consulting Group, Inc.

# 3:45 PM: Recent Decision Issued by the Supreme Court of South Carolina

• Discussion about the Mount Hawley Insurance Company decision

**Moderator: Ross W. Feinberg, Esq.,** Mediator/Settlement Referee, Feinberg Mediation (JAMS), Irvine, CA

**Derrick Harris, MBA, AIC,** Major Case Unit Specialist, FCCI Insurance Group, Sarasota, FL **Dunn D. Hollingsworth, Esq.,** Senior Partner, Robertson Hollingsworth Manos & Rahn, Charleston, SC

Won Jai Lee, J.D., C.P.C.U., Senior Claims Examiner, Markel - Claims, Summit, NJ

# 4:15 PM: The Growing Trend of Women in the Construction Industry

Moderator: Elaine K. Fresch, Esq., Selman Breitman LLP, Los Angeles, CA Betsy A. Gillaspy, Esq., Gillaspy & Rhode PLLC, Kirkland, WA Carolyn Luken, Assistant Vice President, Construction Defect Claims, Crum & Forster, Morristown, NJ

**Michelle J. Robbins, AIA,** Madsen, Kneppers & Associates, Inc., Las Vegas, NV **Anita M. Thornell,** Claims Consultant, Nationwide, Detroit, MI

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7:00 PM – 10:00 PM: Outdoor Networking Dinner & Drinks (Offsite Location - Park & Ocean) Visit page 7 of Agenda for RSVP link 8:30 AM: Continental Breakfast (Located in Grand Ballroom Foyer) Sponsored by: Pete Fowler Construction Services, Inc.

# 9:15 AM: Innovation of Technology: How Construction Technology is Raising the Bar for Risk Reduction and Assignment of Liability

Moderator: Jason Feld, Esq., Kahana & Feld LLP, Irvine, CA
Anthony W. daFonseca, Esq., CMBG3 Law, Boston, MA
Rose Hoyle, PE, CRIS, CCP, CLMP, Strategic Operations Manager for Risk Engineering, AXA XL, Greensboro, NC
Andy Guerra, PE, SE, District Manager, Envista Forensics, Denver, CO
Steve Lokus, Vice President, Construction Practice Group, Navigators, a brand of The Hartford, Los Angeles, CA

10:15 AM: Break Sponsored by: Feinberg Mediation (JAMS)

### 10:30 AM: Demands in the CD Context: Who, What, When, How?

Moderator: Jay R. Graif, Esq., Gust Rosenfeld P.L.C., Phoenix, AZ Kelly Behrens, CRIS, Senior Claims Specialist, Vela Insurance Services LLC, Omaha, NE John A. Chiocca, Esq., Cole, Scott & Kissane, P.A., West Palm Beach, FL Christine A. Gudaitis, Esq., Ver Ploeg & Marino, P.A., Miami, FL Gary S. Kull, Esq., Kennedys, Basking Ridge, NJ

### 11:30 AM: Ethical Expectations of Counsel in Tripartite Relationship

Moderator: Richard L. Mendelsohn, Esq., Malaby & Bradley LLC, New York, NY Gino P. Mecoli, Esq., Reilly, McDevitt & Henrich, P.C., Cherry Hills, NJ Andrew Morgan, Esq., Law Offices of Borton Petrini LLP, Bakersfield, CA Jonathan P. Rolle, Esq., Wolfenzon Rolle, Las Vegas, NV Hal Thompson, Assistant Vice President, Managing Claims Attorney – Construction Defect, AmeriTrust Group, Inc., Westerville, OH

### 12:30 PM: Conclusion

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