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## **Natural Disaster Conference**



**Tuesday, April 2 – Wednesday, April 3, 2019**  
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### Monday, April 1, 2019

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM: Opening Networking Cocktail Reception (Located on the Fountain Terrace)

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### Day 1: Tuesday, April 2, 2019

7:45 AM: Registration & Breakfast (Breakfast Located on the Botticelli Terrace, Registration Located in the Salon Foyer)

8:30 AM: Welcome & Opening Remarks

**Stephen A. Weisbrod, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC  
**W. Neil Ramin, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle Reath LLP, Dallas, TX

8:45 AM: **The Roles of Lawyers, Accountants and other Professionals in Helping Companies Recover from Natural Disasters**

**Moderator: Joshua B. Katz, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC  
**Karl Lunan**, Manager Claims Division, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, New York, NY  
**Jeffrey S. Major**, President & CEO, Skyline Adjusters LLC, New York, NY  
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**Justin Paglio**, Forensic Accounting & Complex Claims, Willis Towers Watson, New York, NY  
**Frank Russo, MBA, ARM, CRIS, CyRM**, Founder, Procor Solutions + Consulting, New York, NY

9:45 AM: **Challenges Facing the Insurance Industry as a Result of Natural Disasters**

**Moderator: James E. Fitzgerald, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, Los Angeles, CA  
**James Darby**, Commercial Property Broker, RT Specialty, Dallas TX  
**Michael E. DiGiacomo, CFA, CPA**, Vice President, Marsh Risk Consulting, Norwalk, CT  
**Van Fisher, PE, BS**, Senior Vice President, Principal Civil/Structural Engineer PE, Envista Forensics. Houston, TX  
**John Lupfer, Esq.**, Director of Claims – Claims Counsel, Suffolk Construction, Fort Lauderdale, FL

10:30 AM: Break

## 10:45 AM: Case Study: Taking a Property Damage and Business Interruption Claim from Soup to Nuts

**Moderator: Lee M. Epstein, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Philadelphia, PA  
**Andrew J. Fusco AIC, SPPA, SCLA, FIICP**, Chief Operating Officer, WorldClaim Global Claims Management, Albany, NY

**Matthew Nelsen, CPCU, AIC**, Vice President Claims, AmeriTrust Group, Inc., Westerville, OH  
**W. Neil Rambin, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle Reath LLP, Dallas, TX  
**Sharon Pisko Wolfe, CPA**, Partner, Co-Founder, RWH Myers & Company, Milford, CT

## 11:45 AM: Residential Issues

**Moderator: Missy Heidelberg, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC  
**Susan E. Egeland, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle Reath LLP, Dallas, TX  
**Kevin Maxwell, PE, RRC, PMP**, Vice President, Forensic Engineering Manager, The Vertex Companies, Inc., Fort Lauderdale, FL  
**Henry Sienema, MA, AIC, SBA**, President, Case Strategies Group, LLC, Fort Lauderdale, FL

## 12:30 PM: Networking Lunch (Located on the Botticelli Terrace)

## 1:15 PM: Protecting the Public Interest after Natural Disasters

**Moderator: August J. Matteis, Jr., Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC  
**Jim Hood**, Mississippi Attorney General, Jackson, MS  
**Susan Marticek**, Executive Director, Compass 82, Toms River, NJ  
**Carmelo J. Ríos Santiago**, Majority Leader, Puerto Rico State Senate, President of the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators, San Juan, Puerto Rico

## 2:00 PM: Natural Catastrophe Environmental Insurance Risks

- Flooded petrochemical facilities, Superfund sites, etc.
- Pollution related impacts

**Moderator: John Koch, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Philadelphia, PA  
**Barbara J. Barron, Esq.**, MehaffyWeber, Beaumont/Houston, TX  
**Jeannette David**, Assistant Vice President, Claims Counsel, Sompo International Insurance, New York, NY  
**Michael Diggin, Esq., CPCU, ARe, ARM**, Vice President, Swiss Re, Armonk, NY  
**Brian Finnegan**, Director, Aon, New York, NY

## 3:00 PM: Break

## 3:15 PM: Challenges Facing the Hospitality and Real Estate Industries as a Result of Natural Disasters

**Moderator: Meghan Moore, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Ft. Lauderdale, FL  
**Aaron Carone, MAI, MRICS**, Consultant, Southeast Region, CBRE Hotels Advisory, Jacksonville, FL  
**David R. Charles**, President, Master Claims Consultants, Naples, FL  
**Helen Eichmann**, Vice President, Environmental Division, Allied World Insurance Company, New York, NY  
**Jonathan W. Pirie, CFE, CVA**, Senior Director, Ankura, Miami, FL  
**Sondra S. Sylva, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle Reath LLP, Dallas, TX

#### **4:15 PM: Streamlining the Resolution of First-Party Insurance Property Damage Claims**

**Moderator: Pamira Shah Matteis, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC  
**Bradley J. Aiken, Esq.**, McDowell Hetherington LLP, Houston, TX  
**Hon. Jennifer D. Bailey**, Administrative Judge, Circuit Civil Division, Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Miami, FL  
**Martin Beinstock, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC  
**Emilie Bakal-Caplan, Esq.**, Mound Cotton Wollan & Greengrass LLP, New York, NY  
**John C. Pistorino, P.E.**, Principal, Pistorino & Alam Consulting Engineers, Inc., Miami, FL

#### **5:15 PM: Conclusion**

**5:15 PM – 6:15 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (Located on the Fountain Terrace)**  
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## **Day 2: Wednesday, April 3, 2019**

#### **7:30 AM: Networking Breakfast (Breakfast Located on the Botticelli Terrace)**

#### **8:15 AM: Wildfires: Environmental, Economic and Insurance Coverage Issues**

- Overview of recent wildfires and the impact on California's environment and economy
- The PG&E bankruptcy case – creditor concerns regarding the distribution of available assets
- FERC and regulatory concerns
- Insurance coverage and subrogation issues
- Business interruption and natural resource damages
- Assessing economic risk: valuing property damage and personal-injury claims

**Moderator: James E. Fitzgerald, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, Los Angeles, CA  
**Masood Khan**, Executive Vice President & Principal, Sunpoint Public Adjusters Inc., San Francisco, CA  
**Ryan Stifter**, Managing Consultant, Roux Associates Inc., Oakland, CA  
**Gary Svirsky, Esq.**, O'Melveny & Myers LLP, New York, NY

#### **9:15 AM: Insurance Regulatory Issues**

**Moderator: James E. Fitzgerald, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, Los Angeles, CA

**John D. Doak**, Former Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner, State of Oklahoma, Tulsa, OK

**John F. Finston, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, San Francisco, CA

**Kenneth Schnoll**, General Counsel, Deputy Commissioner at California Department of Insurance, Sacramento, CA

#### 10:00 AM: Break

#### 10:15 AM: The Effect of Natural Disasters on Supply Chains

- The push-and-pull struggle between achieving improved margins and supply-chain resiliency
- Common supply-chain contract terms that become relevant after natural disasters
- Insurance coverage and indemnification issues resulting from supply chain losses
- Case examples of how companies have managed supply-chain problems following natural disasters; the good, the bad and the ugly

**Moderator: Stephen A. Weisbrod, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC

**Drew Olson, CPA/CFF**, Managing Director, BDO USA LLP, Dallas, TX

**Anthony Radin**, Supply Chain & Procurement General Counsel – North America, Unilever United States, Inc., Englewood Cliffs, NJ

**Sheri Wilson**, Senior Vice President, National Property Claims Director, Lockton Companies, Dallas, TX

#### 11:15 AM: Legal Ethics for Lawyers Who Help Clients after Natural Disasters

**Moderator: Stephen A. Weisbrod, Esq.**, Weisbrod Matteis & Copley PLLC, Washington, DC

**James E. Fitzgerald, Esq.**, Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, Los Angeles, CA

**Christian H. Gannon, Esq.**, Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd., New York, NY

**Adam P. Schwartz, Esq.**, Carlton Fields, Tampa, FL

#### 12:15 PM: Conclusion

*\*Speakers & Agenda are subject to change.*

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