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## THE OPIOID LITIGATION CONFERENCE

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Thursday, June 28, 2018 Omni Dallas Hotel Dallas, TX

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8:00 AM: Registration & Breakfast (located in Dallas Foyer C)

8:45 AM: Welcome & Opening Remarks

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#### 9:00 AM: Overview of the Opioid Epidemic

- What are opioids and how do they affect the brain?
- Addiction vs. physical dependence
- Best treatment options for opioid addiction

**Anna Lembke, M.D.,** Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Stanford University Medical Center, Stanford, CA

#### 9:30 AM: Update and Status of the Opioid Litigation

- Sobering facts about the Opioid crisis: Statistics on Opioid use, overdoes and its impact on U.S. human health
- National update on Opioid lawsuit filings: similarities and differences to tobacco litigation
- RICO Claims

Reagan E. Bradford, Esq., The Lanier Law Firm, Houston, TX
Peter R. Kelso, Principal, Roux Associates, Inc., Arlington, VA
Christina Marinakis, J.D., Psy.D., Director of Jury Research, Litigation Insights, Overland Park, KS
Mark Pifko, Esq., Baron & Budd, P.C., Encino, CA

10:15 AM: Break Sponsored by: HG Litigation

10:30 AM: Texas MDL vs National MDL and Potential Theories of Case Development

Michael Gallagher, Esq., The Gallagher Law Firm, LLC, Houston, TX

10:45 AM: State Court Litigation

Marc J. Bern, Esq., Marc J. Bern & Partners LLP, New York, NY Amy Carter, Esq., Simon Greenstone Panatier, PC, Dallas TX Shelly Sanford, Esq., Watts Guerra LLP, Austin, TX

#### 11:45 AM: Perspectives on the Development of an Opioid Health Crisis

David Egilman, MD MPH, Clinical Professor of Family Medicine, Brown University, Providence, RI

#### 12:00 PM: The Medical Perspective

Pain management and prescribing Opioids

**Geralyn Datz, PhD,** Health & Pain Psychologist, Southern Behavioral Medicine Associates, PLLC, Hattiesburg, MS

12:30 PM: Networking Lunch (located in Dallas A)

#### 1:30 PM: The Appropriateness of Nuisance as a Remedy

Jay Henderson, Esq., Fibich, Leebron, Copeland & Briggs, Houston, TX Shayna E. Sacks, Esq., Napoli Shkolnik PLLC, New York, NY

#### 2:00 PM: The Insurance Coverage Update

- Whether the lawsuits seek damages for "bodily injury" (or property damage) caused by an "occurrence," as set forth in most commercial general liability policies;
- Whether the lawsuits seek "damages," based on the definition of "damages" in various insurance policy forms;
- The application of various exclusions, including intentional acts exclusions and known loss
- The application of related claim, batch, or integrated occurrence language in various policy forms
- The impact of the MDL

Christopher R. Carroll, Esq., Kennedy CMK LLP, Basking Ridge, NJ Michael A. Hamilton, Esq., Goldberg Segalla, Philadelphia, PA James R. Murray, Esq., Blank Rome LLP, Washington, DC

#### 2:45 PM: The Evolution of Insurance Coverage Issues for the Opioid Litigation

 Distinctions in the underlying lawsuits that we have seen from the beginning of the crisis to the current date, which may provide a basis to categorize the lawsuits as potentially covered, or not

- covered, for coverage purposes, and court rulings on insurance coverage cases that we have seen based on these distinctions;
- The insurance market's response to notices of claims for opioid lawsuits, including the issuance
  of various specific exclusions by endorsement, including products exclusions and drug and
  pharmaceutical exclusions, and other policy changes.

**Jodi S. Green, Esq.,** Nicolaides Fink Thorpe Michaelides Sullivan LLP, Los Angeles, CA **Margot L. Green,** Senior Counsel, Complex Claims, Markel Corporation, Hamilton, Bermuda

3:15 PM: Break

3:30 PM: Cascading Impacts of the Opioid Crisis on Cities and Counties

Charles D. Cowan Ph.D., CEO, Co-Managing Member, Analytic Focus, LLC, San Antonio, TX

3:40 PM: Rethinking Strategy: Telling the Corporate Story

What are the challenges companies are facing?

Mark Cheffo, Esq., Dechert LLP, New York, NY Allen E. Lockerman, IV, Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP, Atlanta, GA Kimberly Solomon, Esq., Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP, Austin, TX

4:30 PM – 5:30 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (located in Dallas Foyer A)

<sup>\*</sup>Speakers & Agenda are subject to change

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