Cutting-Edge Issues in Asbestos Litigation Conference

March 6-7, 2017
The Beverly Wilshire Hotel
Beverly Hills, CA

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Sunday, March 5, 2017

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM – Networking Cocktail Reception (located in Le Grand Trianon)
*Sponsored by: Cooney & Conway and Matushek Nilles LLC*

Monday, March 6, 2017

8:15 AM – Breakfast & Registration (located in Wintergarden)
*Sponsored by: Forman Watkins & Krutz LLP*

9:00 AM – Welcome & Opening Remarks

*John D. Cooney, Esq.*, Cooney & Conway – Chicago, IL  
*Timothy L. Krippner, Esq.*, Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd. – Chicago, IL  
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*Jeffrey B. Simon, Esq.*, Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC – Dallas, TX

9:15 AM – The Top Emerging Trends in Asbestos Litigation

- What to expect in 2017
- An overview of the most significant developments in the previous year
- Discussion of national filing trends and statistics
- Key legal decisions
- A review of important verdicts

*Joseph W. Belluck, Esq.*, Belluck & Fox, L.L.P. – New York, NY  
*Perry J. Browder, Esq.*, Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC – Alton, IL  
*Carrie Scott*, Vice President, KCIC – Washington, DC  
*Paul Slater, Esq.*, Senior Counsel, General Electric Company – Fairfield, CT  
*Thomas W. Tardy, III, Esq.*, Maron Marvel Bradley Anderson & Tardy LLC – Jackson, MS  
*Perry Weitz, Esq.*, Weitz & Luxenberg P.C. – New York, NY

10:15 AM – Are Industrial and Commercial Talc the New Frontier in Asbestos Litigation?

- A review of 2016 talc verdicts
- The historic role of governmental regulatory bodies
- The plaintiff and defense position on key scientific and medical causation issues
- An inside evaluation from the hottest and most rapidly emerging jurisdictions

*Katie Barker*, Associate Claims Counsel, RiverStone Claims Management, LLC – Manchester, NH  
*Leah Kagan, Esq.*, Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC – Long Beach, CA  
*Danielle W. Mason, Esq.*, Beasley Allen Law Firm – Montgomery, AL  
*Chris Massenburg, Esq.*, Manion Gaynor & Manning, LLP – New Orleans, LA
11:00 AM – Break


Jessica Dean, Esq., Dean Omar Branham – Dallas, TX
John J. Kurowski, Esq., Kurowski Shultz LLC – Swansea, IL
Hon. Arnold L. New, Court of Common Pleas, Coordinating Judge, Complex Litigation Center – Philadelphia, PA
Sara M. Salger, Esq., Gori Julian & Associates, P.C. – Edwardsville, IL
Gregory M. Stokes, Esq., Swartz Campbell LLC – Philadelphia, PA

12:15 PM – Women in Business Lunch (located in Le Grand Trianon)
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Holly A. Harris, Esq., Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company – San Ramon, CA
Nancy A. Rideout, CCLA, Analyst-Claims, IROC, Argo Group US – San Antonio, TX
Laura Schoefer, Esq., Assistant Vice President – Direct Claims, Resolute Management, Inc. – Boston, MA
Linda Tatka, Claims Director, San Francisco Reinsurance (ARM US) – Petaluma, CA

12:15 PM – Lunch (on your own)

1:30 PM – New York Litigation Update

- The status and direction of the NYCAL standing order
- How large trial settings are evolving
- Will the trial courts expand to additional boroughs?
- What will trial activity look like in 2017?

Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Belluck & Fox, L.L.P. – New York, NY
Thomas J. Burns, Esq., O’Connell, Tivin, Miller & Burns, LLC – Chicago, IL
Robert C. Malaby, Esq., Malaby & Bradley LLC – New York, NY
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Laura Schoefer, Esq., Assistant Vice President – Direct Claims, Resolute Management, Inc. – Boston, MA
Perry Weitz, Esq., Weitz & Luxenberg P.C. – New York, NY

2:30 PM – The In-House Counsel and Insurance Perspectives

Moderator: Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company – Fairfield, CT
Michael J. Blair, Vice President – Environmental Claims, Gen Re – San Francisco, CA
Joshua P. Briefel, Esq., Complex Claims Analyst, RiverStone Claims Management, LLC – Manchester, NH
Chris Carpenter, Senior Vice President, Swiss Re America Holding Corporation – Kansas City, MO
Holly A. Harris, Esq., Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company – San Ramon, CA
Linda Tatka, Claims Director, San Francisco Reinsurance (ARM US) – Petaluma, CA
David A. Warren, Assistant Vice President, Resolute Management, Inc. – Chicago, IL
3:30 PM – **Break**  
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3:45 PM – **The Role of DNA in Asbestos Litigation**

- New studies on the synergistic effects of asbestos and tobacco smoke in causing lung cancer

Arnold R. Brody, Ph.D., Professor Emeritus, Department of Pathology, Tulane University School of Medicine – New Orleans, LA  
Joshua D. Lee, Esq., Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila LLP – Chicago, IL  
Len M. van Zyl, Ph.D., ArrayXpress – Raleigh, NC

4:30 PM – **California Asbestos Litigation Overview**

Hon. Steven J. Kleifield, Los Angeles County Superior Court – Los Angeles, CA  
Hon. Cynthia Ming Mei Lee, San Francisco Superior Court – San Francisco, CA  
Jeremy D. Milbrodt, Esq., Prindle, Goetz, Barnes & Reinholtz LLP – Long Beach, CA  
Gilbert L. Purcell, Esq., Brayton Purcell LLP – Novato, CA

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**Tuesday, March 7, 2017**

8:30 AM – **Breakfast** *(located in Wintergarden)*  
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9:00 AM – **Daimler: Where Do We Belong and Where Are We Going?**

- A review of key rulings across the country  
- Is Daimler appropriate for multi-party, joint causation toxic tort cases?

Stephen T. Armato, Esq., Cetrulo LLP – Boston, MA  
Lauren Boaz, Esq., SWMK Law – St. Louis, MO  
Nathaniel Mudd, Esq., Maune Raichle Hartley French & Mudd LLC – St. Louis, MO  
Allyson M. Romani, Esq., Shrader & Associates, L.L.P. – Glen Carbon, IL  

10:00 AM – **Break**

10:15 AM – **The Long Tail of Discovery Obligations: What are the Current Ethical Responsibilities of Litigants and Their Attorneys?**
What challenges do parties face in reviewing and reconfirming their longstanding discovery practices as asbestos-related litigation enters its fifth decade

A review of ongoing due diligence requirements through bankruptcy, reformation, acquisition and divestiture

Do plaintiff and defense firms have ongoing responsibilities to incorporate or maintain knowledge gathered over the years?

What obligations do new attorneys for mature litigants face when assuming the defense during a change of counsel

Stephen M. Nichols, Esq., Polsinelli – Los Angeles, CA
Marc Scarcella, MA, Principal and Practice Lead, Economic & Complex Analytics Practice, Roux Associates, Inc. – Arlington, VA
Ilana K. Waxman, Esq., Galiher DeRobertis Waxman – Honolulu, HI

11:15 AM – The Impact of Kesner/Haver on Take-Home Exposure Cases

John P. Katerndahl, Esq., Selman Breitman LLP – Los Angeles, CA
Tina Van Dam, Esq., Walsworth – Orange County, CA

Additional Speakers to be Added.

12:00 PM – Adjourn
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