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Perrin Conferences Sets Full Agenda for Beverly Hills Asbestos Litigation Conference: March 16-17

BERWYN, PA – February 5, 2015 – Perrin Conferences, the nation's leader in joint plaintiff and defense litigation conferences, will host its annual [Cutting-Edge Issues in Asbestos Litigation Conference](#) scheduled for **March 16-17, 2015** at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel.

The event, which has grown in attendance and stature since its inception in 2011, has traditionally drawn together hundreds of the nation's foremost experts for a thought-provoking, two-day discourse on the latest issues affecting asbestos and toxic tort litigation.

Chairing the 2015 conference will be [John D. Cooney, Esq.](#), Cooney & Conway, Chicago, IL; [Timothy L. Krippner, Esq.](#), Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd. Chicago, IL; and [Jeffrey B. Simon, Esq.](#), Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, Dallas, TX.

Featured speakers include five judges, renowned plaintiff and defense attorneys, in-house counsel, insurance professionals, risk managers and industry experts. Panel discussions will address emerging trends in litigation, new discoveries, and legal rulings that affect thousands of cases with multi-billion-dollar impacts to the economy.

Members of the bench participating in panels include:

- **Hon. Mark Davidson**, 11th Civil District of Texas – Harris County, TX
- **Hon. Emilie H. Elias**, Los Angeles Superior Court – Los Angeles, CA
- **Hon. Teri Jackson**, Asbestos Department Judge, San Francisco Superior Court, San Francisco, CA
- **Hon. Arnold L. New**, Court of Common Pleas, Coordinating Judge, Complex Litigation – Center, Philadelphia, PA
- **Hon. Brad Seligman**, Asbestos Department Judge, Alameda County Superior Court, Oakland, CA

An In-House Counsel and Insurance Perspectives Roundtable will feature:

Moderator:

- **Edwin S. Gault, Esq.**, Forman Perry Watkins Krutz & Tardy LLP, Jackson, MS

Panelists:

- **Brian DeSoto**, Divisional Senior Vice President, Great American Insurance Group, Cincinnati, OH
- **Tammy Fanning**, Deputy General Counsel- Product Liability, Continental, Fort Mill, SC

- **L. Michelle Gessner**, Vice President Litigation & Compliance, Big Lots Stores, Columbus, OH
- **Neil A. Huber**, AIC Vice President, Chubb & Son, Warren, NJ
- **Shaka Johnson**, Legal Director, Law Department, Sony Electronics Inc., San Diego, CA
- **Pamela Pettus**, Director of Claims and Insurance Litigation, BFC Financial Corporation – Risk Management, Boca Raton, FL

Additional panel discussions will focus on:

- The Top Emerging Trends in 2015 Asbestos Litigation
- The Relationship between Carriers and Insureds in the Changing Litigation Environment
- Key Jurisdictional Updates in Illinois, Louisiana and Pennsylvania
- The Bankruptcy Trust Offset: What is it and should it be applied in a Civil Case?
- A Medical Update: An Analytical Review of Lung Cancer, Current Medicine, Epidemiology and Mesothelioma
- New York, New York - The Battle in the Big Apple
- Ethical Issues Raised by Product Identification and Damages Allocation
- Women in Business Breakfast Roundtable
- The Legislative Angle: The Congressional Approach to Asbestos Litigation
- The Discovery Deposition Conundrum

In addition to exclusive learning, information sharing, and networking opportunities, **CLE Accreditation and CE Adjuster Accreditation** for this conference will be provided as requested by attendees.

For more information, registration and hotel accommodations, please visit www.PerrinConferences.com .

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