



# RECALL





# CONFERENCE

# **Product Liability**

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April 9-11, 2014 Arizona Biltmore Phoenix, Arizona

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Daniel A. **DuPré**Federal Signal Corporation

The Honorable John Cannon **Few**South Carolina Court of Appeals

Saul **Levmore**University of Chicago Law School

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Jaime L. **Myers** Caterpillar Inc.

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DRI delivers resources to build your practice

PRI's Product Liability Conference is the premier event for attorneys, corporate counsel, and claims professionals who handle product liability cases. Join colleagues and friends at the luxurious Arizona Biltmore for a conference featuring knowledgeable speakers from inside the White House, the South Carolina Court of Appeals, America's top law schools and product manufacturers, as well as top-tier trial lawyers as they discuss cutting-edge issues in product liability law. Find out what new cases and trends in the law will shape product liability litigation in the years to come, how to communicate quickly and effectively on behalf of a client involved in a crisis, where to score invaluable points while cross-examining an expert witness, and how to counteract the effects of the "reptile theory."

The specialized litigation group (SLG) sessions will offer detailed analysis in 15 different practice areas, and a Young Lawyers Breakout will run concurrently with main stage sessions on Wednesday. The Corporate Counsel Committee will once again host an invitation-only program tailored to the interests of in-house lawyers. This conference offers unparalleled opportunities to keep abreast of current issues, earn CLE, and network.



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#### WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- Bet-the-company crisis management how to respond quickly and effectively
- Assessing risk for legacy equipment
- Trends in Internet security, privacy, and investigation
- How to plan and conduct an effective recall
- Product liability litigation trends
- Understanding and counteracting the "reptile theory"

PRESENTED BY DRI'S Product Liability Committee

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# PROGRAM SCHEDULE

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014

6:00 p.m. **Registration** 

6:00 p.m. **Diversity Reception** 

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#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2014

**Mobile Device Charging Kiosk** 

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7:00 a.m. Registration

7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast** 

SPONSORED BY Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek SC

7:00 a.m. First-Time Attendees Breakfast

PRODUCT LIABILITY COMMITTEE CHAIR

Patrick J. Sweeney

8:00 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

**Jack Laffey**, *Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek SC*, Milwaukee. Wisconsin

Patrick J. Sweeney, Sweeney & Sheehan,

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

**James E. Weatherholtz**, *Womble Carlyle*Sandridge & Rice LLP, Charleston, South Carolina

8:15 a.m. Internet Security, Privacy, and Investigation

In an age of unprecedented use of the Internet and cellular platforms for communication and commerce, most people remain unaware of the security risks. A licensed private investigator will provide an overview, discussing investigative techniques utilizing online sources, and explaining how to find information on corporate and personal subjects.

**Michèle Stuart**, *JAG Investigations Inc.*, Gilbert, Arizona

# 9:15 a.m. When Catastrophe Strikes: Critical Communication, Litigation, and Compensation Practices

Each panel member has specialized knowledge and experience with catastrophic events from this decade, including the BP oil spill, joint replacements, tobacco, breast implants, IUDs, the Penn State crisis, and the NFL concussion class action lawsuit. Learn about the challenges and best practices.

MODERATOR | **B. Thomas Florence, Ph.D.**, *ARPC*, Washington, D.C.

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**Lanny J. Davis**, *Lanny J. Davis & Associates LLC*, Washington, D.C.

**Gregory G. Little**, *White & Case LLP*, Washington, D.C.

**Francis E. McGovern**, *Duke University School of Law*, Durham, North Carolina

10:15 a.m. **Refreshment Break** 

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10:30 a.m. Young Lawyers Breakout

(See schedule on page 7)

#### 10:45 a.m. Recall Planning and Administration

Costly litigation, agency fines, overutilization of internal resources, and ultimately, damage to the brand coexist as consequences for poorly managed product recalls. Understanding the action items and protocols to follow before a recall is implemented and once a recall arises can be the key to minimizing bad consequences.

MODERATOR | **Gretchen N. Miller**, *Greenberg Traurig LLP*, Chicago, Illinois

PANEL

Cari K. Dawson, Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Georgia

**Steve Edwards**, *Stericycle ExpertSolutions*, Indianapolis, Indiana

**Kenneth Ross**, *Bowman and Brooke LLP*, Minneapolis, Minnesota

11:45 a.m. Defuse Sympathy and Win Your Case by Crushing the Plaintiff's Expert's Credibility

A seasoned trial lawyer will explain why prior transcripts are invaluable to a defense victory, why money and bias are important to a jury, and why there is gold in the plaintiff's expert's CV.

**John M. Fitzpatrick**, *Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP*, Denver, Colorado

12:35 p.m. **Lunch** (*on your own*)

2:00 p.m. Warn, Retrofit, or Recall: Risk Management Considerations for Legacy Equipment

It Wasn't Broke When I Sold It! Increasingly, product manufacturers are asking what, if any, duty they have relative to older models of their products still functioning in the field. This panel will explore various scenarios and offer practical strategies.

**Daniel A. DuPré**, *Federal Signal Corporation*, Oak Brook, Illinois

Jaime L. Myers, Caterpillar Inc., Peoria, Illinois

**Kevin G. Owens**, *Johnson & Bell Ltd.*, Chicago, Illinois

3:00 p.m. Refreshment Break

3:30 p.m. **Specialized Litigation Workshops** 

(See page 4 for session descriptions)

Biomechanics and Injury Causation

Children's Products Electronic Discovery

Trial Techniques and Technology

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

5:30 p.m. **Product Liability Committee Meeting** 

(open to all)

6:00 p.m. **Networking Reception** 

SPONSORED BY Balch & Bingham LLP

7:30 p.m. **Dine-Arounds** | Join colleagues and friends at selected restaurants for dinner (on your own). More details on-site.

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7:00 a.m. **Registration** 

7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast** 

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8:00 a.m. Announcements

**James E. Weatherholtz**, *Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice LLP*, Charleston, South Carolina

8:10 a.m. Ethics: The Courage of a Lawyer

A man resolved to fight—an attorney with the guts to confront injustice—a judge they loved to hate: this talk looks at these and other emblems of courage to discover the defining characteristics of great lawyers and their influence on others.

The Honorable John Cannon Few,

South Carolina Court of Appeals, Columbia, South Carolina

9:10 a.m. When Regulation Can Lead to Litigation: Top Issues in Food and Dietary Supplements

These industries are under increasing scrutiny caused by federal regulations, broad state consumer protection laws, and a newly focused plaintiffs' bar. These avenues sometimes collide or provide synergy for civil litigation and even criminal prosecution. Hear varied perspectives and practical tips.

MODERATOR | **Kurt D. Weaver**, *Womble Carlyle*Sandridge & Rice LLP, Raleigh, North Carolina

PANFI

**Amy Norris**, *Clif Bar & Company*, Emervville, California

**Giles Roblyer**, *Procter & Gamble Company*, Cincinnati. Ohio

10:00 a.m. Refreshment Break

SPONSORED BY Carr Maloney PC

10:30 a.m. **Specialized Litigation Workshops** 

(See pages 4–5 for session descriptions)

Agricultural/Construction/Mining/

Industrial Equipment

Aviation and Aerospace

Fire Science and Litigation

International Legal Issues

Recreational Products

12:30 p.m. **Lunch** (*on vour own*)

1:50 p.m. Case Law Update

Professor Levmore will highlight recent decisions and trends in product liability law from across the country.

**Saul Levmore**, *University of Chicago Law* School, Chicago, Illinois

2:45 p.m. Reptile—A Manual for the **Plaintiffs' Revolution** 

> The reptile theory is a best-selling program among plaintiffs' attorneys to bring a jury to a reptilian frame of mind in protecting their nest. This session will review origin, theory, and application by plaintiffs' counsel, and outline defense strategies to counter the attack.

John E. Hall, Jr., Hall Booth Smith PC, Atlanta, Georgia

Tara Trask, Tara Trask and Associates, San Francisco, California

3:30 p.m. Refreshment Break

SPONSORED BY Hiltgen & Brewer PC Schwabe Williams & Wvatt

3:50 p.m. Specialized Litigation Workshops

(See pages 5–6 for session descriptions)

Automotive

Consumer Goods and Office Equipment

Food Law

Hand and Power Tools

Mass Torts and Class Actions

3:50 p.m. **In-House Counsel Breakout** (*invitation only*)

5:50 p.m. Adjourn

6:00 p.m. Networking Reception

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8:00 a.m. Registration

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

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9:00 a.m. Specialized Litigation Workshops

(See pages 6–7 for session descriptions)

**Building Products** 

Chemical and Toxic Torts

Manufacturers' Risk Prevention

Scaffolding, Cranes, and Aerial Devices

11:00 a.m. Refreshment Break

11:15 a.m. It's Not the Fruit, It's the Root: Getting to the Bottom of Our Ethical IIIs

> Mr. Carter goes beyond the dos and don'ts of the Rules of Professional Conduct to get to the heart of the matter—the common mindsets that result in ethical violations in the first place. He will provide insight into changing these mindsets so that the ethical canons become guideposts, and not obstacles, in our drive to become successful lawyers.

**Sean Carter**, Lawpsided Seminars,

Mesa, Arizona

12:15 p.m. **Adjourn** 

## 2014 SPECIALIZED LITIGATION WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2014 3:30-5:30 p.m.

# ■ BIOMECHANICS AND INJURY CAUSATION

CHAIR | **Cynthia P. Arends**, *Nilan Johnson Lewis PA*, Minneapolis, Minnesota

VICE CHAIR | **James F. Marrion**, *Pietragallo Gordon*Alfano Bosick & Raspanti LLP,

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

# Biomechanics of Big Stuff: Vehicles, Regardless of Size, Obey the Laws of Physics and Engineering

**Susan A. Lantz, Ph.D.**, *CED Technologies Inc.*, Oak Brook, Illinois

# Biomechanical Reconstruction of Pedestrian and Cyclist Impacts with Motor Vehicles

**Jacob L. Fisher, Ph.D., PE**, *Exponent*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

#### CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS

CHAIR | **Jane A. North**, *Deasey Mahoney Valentini* & *North Ltd.*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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# Liability Surrounding Resale of Children's Products Online

**Merton A. Howard**, *Hanson Bridgett LLP*, San Francisco, California

## Bring in the Reinforcements: Use of Settlement Counsel Skilled in Negotiations for Early Dispute Resolution

Peter M. Kramer, Squire Sanders LLP, Miami, Florida Dale L. Matschullat, Schiff Hardin LLP, Chicago, Illinois Maxine Schroll, Newell Rubbermaid Inc., Freeport, Illinois

## What's in Store for Children's Product Industry, Given the Growing Aggressiveness of the CPSC and Health Canada

**Lindsay H. Lorimer**, *McMillan LLP*, Toronto, Ontario **Cheryl A. Possenti**, *Goldberg Segalla LLP*, Buffalo, New York

#### ■ ELECTRONIC DISCOVERY

CHAIR | **Eric L. Probst**, *Porzio Bromberg & Newman PC*, Morristown, New Jersey

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## Technology-Assisted Review and Predictive Coding: Opportunities and Challenges of Advanced Review Technologies

**Drew Lewis**, *Recommind Inc.*, Nashville, Tennessee **John D. Martin**, *Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP*, Columbia, South Carolina

#### ■ TRIAL TECHNIQUES AND TECHNOLOGY

CHAIR | **Amanda M. Cialkowski**, *Nilan Johnson Lewis PA*, Minneapolis, Minnesota

VICE CHAIR | **Blair A. Jones**, *Germani Martemucci Riggle & Hill*, Portland, Maine

## **Mock Direct Examination of Expert Witness**

**James J. Yukevich**, *Yukevich Cavanaugh*, Los Angeles, California

## **Mock Cross-Examination of Expert Witness**

**Sidney K. Kanazawa**, *McGuireWoods LLP*, Los Angeles, California

# Tips from the Expert: Technology That Has Been Particularly Persuasive

Robert Juergens, SEA Limited, St. Louis, Missouri

# THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

## AGRICULTURAL/CONSTRUCTION/ MINING/INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT

CHAIR | **Brian A. Comer**, *Collins & Lacy PC*, Columbia, South Carolina

VICE CHAIR | **Michael E. McWilliams**, *Butler Snow LLP*, Ridgeland, Mississippi

# Expert Witnesses: Inside or Outside? The Pros and Cons

Kristin K. Esche, Deere & Company, Moline, Illinois

Mark E. Gebauer, Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC. Harrisburg. Pennsylvania

**David M. Nicholas**, *Volvo Construction Equipment North America LLC*, Shippensburg, Pennsylvania

#### **ACMIE Top Ten for 2013**

**Matt Hundley**, *Moran Reeves & Conn PC Law Firm*, Richmond, Virginia

#### ■ AVIATION AND AEROSPACE

CHAIR | **Donald R. Andersen**, *Stites & Harbison PLLC*, Atlanta, Georgia

VICE CHAIR | **Steven F. Casey**, *Jones Walker LLP*, Birmingham, Alabama

## **Recent Developments in Aviation Product Liability Law**

**Donald R. Andersen**, *Stites & Harbison PLLC*, Atlanta, Georgia

#### ■ FIRE SCIENCE AND LITIGATION

CHAIR | **Lisa P. Gruen**, *Ericksen Arbuthnot*, Los Angeles, California

VICE CHAIR | **Jonathan S. Hickey**, *Burden Gulisano* & *Hickey LLC*, Buffalo, New York

# *Dr. C. v. Whirlpool*: Drug Use and Decedent's Contributory Negligence

**Jay Freeman**, *Advanced Engineering Investigations Corporation*, Littleton, Colorado

George R. Neuhauser, Nall & Miller LLP, Atlanta, Georgia

# Trying High-Stakes Explosion Cases in Unfriendly Venues: Defense Strategy and Perspective

**Brook Laskey**, *McCoy Leavitt Laskey LLC*, Albuquerque, New Mexico

**David K.Sheppard**, *AmeriGas Propane*, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

#### ■ INTERNATIONAL LEGAL ISSUES

CHAIR | **Glenn M. Zakaib**, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP. Toronto. Ontario

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# Legal Issues Following the Chain from Manufacture to Sale

# Handling Regulatory Investigations in International Jurisdictions

Marie-Claude Simard, LL.B, M.B.A., Bombardier Recreational Products Inc., Valcourt, Quebec Rene Zanin. Toshiba of Canada Ltd., Markham. Ontario

#### ■ RECREATIONAL PRODUCTS

CHAIR | **Fred E. Bourn III**, *Butler Snow LLP*, Jackson, Mississippi

VICE CHAIR | Michael L. Reitzell, Duane Morris LLP, San Francisco. California

## Using Visual Aspect Expert and Biomechanical Expert to Reconstruct Accident from Online Videos

**Brian Brill**, *Mountain Graphix*, Dillon, Colorado **Irving S. Scher, Ph.D., PE**, *Guidance Engineering and Applied Research*, Seattle, Washington

# In-House Counsel Perspective on Video, Social Media, Investigations of Product Videos, and Creating Video/Reconstructions

**Robert L. Kollar**, *Kawasaki Motor Corp USA*, Irvine. California

**Victoria Webster**, *Yamaha Motor Corporation*, Newnan, Georgia

## Case Law Update, Emphasizing the Visual Aspect of Recreational Products Litigation

**Elizabeth L. Moyo**, *Porter Wright Morris* & *Arthur LLP*. Columbus. Ohio

## THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014

3:50 p.m.-5:50 p.m.

#### AUTOMOTIVE

CHAIR | **Jeffrey A. Curran**, *GableGotwals*, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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# Spoliation of the Vehicle or Defective Vehicle Component by Plaintiff and Manufacturer's Remedies

**Jodi Dyan Oley**, *Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

#### The Next Generation Drivers and Their Role in Accidents

**William Fischer, PE**, *Engineering Systems Inc.*, Fort Myers, Florida

Mitchell A. Garber, M.D., MPH, MSME, Engineering Systems Inc., Norcross, Georgia

# Cross-Border Auto Class Actions and Settlements

Teresa Dufort, McMillan LLP, Toronto, Ontario

# Rule 26 Expert Discovery: The Privileges Afforded to Expert/Attorney Communications

Marie E. Chafe, Cornell & Gollub, Boston, Massachusetts

## CONSUMER GOODS AND OFFICE EQUIPMENT

CHAIR | **Hope T. Cannon**, *Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP*, Birmingham, Alabama

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## Update on U.S. and Global Consumer Goods Regulatory Requirements

**Cheryl A. Falvey**, *Crowell & Moring LLP*, Washington, D.C.

**Sylvie Gallage-Alwis**, *Hogan Lovells*, Paris, France **Christian di Mauro**, *Hogan Lovells*, Milan, Italy

**Peter J. Pliszka**, *Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP*, Toronto, Ontario

## **Consumer Fraud/No-Injury Class Actions**

Scott A. Elder, Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Georgia Jerome A. Swindell, Johnson & Johnson,

New Brunswick, New Jersey

**Kimberly A. Udovic**, *Toyota Motor Sales USA Inc.*. Torrance, California

#### ■ FOOD LAW

CHAIR | **Joshua E. Swiger**, Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial LLC, Atlanta, Georgia

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# Brief Discussion of the Status of the Food Safety Modernization Act

**Joshua E. Swiger**, *Weinberg Wheeler Hudgins Gunn & Dial LLC*. Atlanta. Georgia

#### Can Products Labeled "All Natural" Contain Any GMOs?

**Glenn S. Kerner**, *Goodwin Procter LLP*, New York, New York

## New USDA Directives May Mean a Rare Steak Will Be Rarer than Ever

**Shawn K. Stevens**, *Gass Weber Mullins LLC*, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

# A Defense Perspective on the Growing List of Issues for Labeling Claims

**James F. Neale**, *McGuire Woods LLP*, Charlottesville, Virginia

#### ■ HAND AND POWER TOOLS

CHAIR | **Joseph W. Pappalardo**, *Gallagher Sharp*, Cleveland, Ohio

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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

# Power Tool Injuries—Biomechanical Review and Use of Accident Data

Robert M. Fulton, Hill Ward Henderson, Tampa, Florida Elizabeth H. Raphael, M.D., FACEP, Delta V Biomechanics, Palo Alto, California Mark A. Rowe, Techtronic Industries North America Inc., Anderson, South Carolina

#### MASS TORTS AND CLASS ACTIONS

CHAIR | **Frederick W. Rom**, *Womble Carlyle Sandridge* & *Rice LLP*, Raleigh, North Carolina

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# Post Comcast: Are Federal Courts Considering Individual Damages When Certifying Class Actions?

**April M. Byrd**, *Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

# What the EU Is Doing to Address Collective Redress Issues—Member States' Experiences

**Christopher S. D'Angelo**, *Montgomery McCracken Walker & Rhoads LLP*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 2014

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

#### ■ BUILDING PRODUCTS

CHAIR | **William J. Hubbard**, *Thompson Hine LLP*, Cleveland, Ohio

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# Best Practices for Successful Building Product Inspections

MODERATOR | Alan R. Levy, Buckley Law Group, New York, New York

**Jeffrey S. Butts**, *KCG Inc.*, Lenexa, Kansas **E. Wayne Taff**, *Law Offices of E. Wayne Taff*, Blue Springs. Missouri

## Liability of Product Manufacturers Complying with Performance Specifications in Design/Build Projects

**William S. Thomas**, *Pitzer Snodgrass PC*, Saint Louis, Missouri

## Update on Building Products Class Actions Post *Dukes* and *Comcast*

**Michael R. Carroll**, *Ballard Spahr LLP*, Cherry Hill, New Jersey

#### ■ CHEMICAL AND TOXIC TORTS

CHAIR | **R. Craig Mayfield**, *Hill Ward Henderson*, Tampa, Florida

VICE CHAIR | **Daniel M. Long**, *Frost Brown Todd LLC*, Indianapolis, Indiana

# Strategies to Position a Toxic Tort Case for a Favorable Defense Settlement

**John A. Kind, Ph.D., CIH**, *Center for Toxicology and Environmental Health LLC*, North Little Rock, Arkansas

**Cisselon Nichols Hurd**, *Shell Oil Company*, Houston, Texas

Beverlee E. Silva, Alston & Bird LLP, Atlanta, Georgia

#### ■ MANUFACTURERS' RISK PREVENTION

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This area of practice is encompassed in the main stage program.

## SCAFFOLDING, CRANES, AND AERIAL DEVICES

CHAIR | **Deirdre S. McCool**, *Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP*, Charleston, South Carolina

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## Lift Truck Design Litigation: Manufacturer's Role in Developing Methodologies and Legal Strategies

**Spencer Adams**, *NACCO Materials Handling Group Inc.*, Portland, Oregon

**Jeffrey S. Eden**, *Schwabe Williamson & Wyatt*, Portland, Oregon

**John P. "Jack" Freedenberg**, *Goldberg Segalla LLP*, Buffalo, New York

## OSHA Doesn't Know—Don't Assume OSHA Has the Expertise

**David H. Glabe, PE**, *DH Glabe & Associates*, Westminster, Colorado

**Christopher Schilder**, *Safway Group Holding LLC*, Waukesha, Wisconsin

# YOUNG LAWYERS BREAKOUT

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2014

10:30 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

**Anthony J. Novak**, Larson King LLP,

St. Paul, Minnesota

**W. Rick Griffin**, *Martin Pringle Oliver Wallace & Bauer LLP*, Wichita, Kansas

10:35 a.m. The Importance of Learning Your Client's Business

**Nicole Young**, *Ingersoll-Rand Company*, Charlotte, North Carolina

11:00 a.m. But It's Not My Product! Ways to
Limit Liability on Manufacturers of
Products That Do Not Cause Injury

**Kara Kapke**, *Barnes & Thornburg LLP*, Indianapolis, Indiana

11:30 a.m. Technology-Assisted Review: What It Is, What It Isn't, and Why You Should Consider Whether It's Right for Your Case

**Jenya Moshkovich**, *Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP*, New York, New York

12:00 p.m. **Lunch** (*on your own*)

1:30 p.m. **Concussion Litigation and Product** 

**Liability Implications** 

**Timothy Liam Epstein**, *SmithAmundsen LLC*,

Chicago, Illinois

**Scott Thomas Peters** (former NFL player)

2:10 p.m. Marketing Tips for the Young Lawyer and Growing Client Relationships

**Cindy Khin**, *Medmarc*, Washington, D.C.

**Kelly Lippincott**, *Carr Maloney PC*,

Washington, D.C.

**Paul J. Maloney**, *Carr Maloney PC*,

Washington, D.C.

**Kevin Quinley**, *Quinley Risk Associates LLC*,

Chesterfield, Virginia

3:00 p.m. Adjourn

## **FACULTY**

**Sean Carter** is a lawyer, author, comedian, and self-described "Humorist at Law" with Lawpsided Seminars in Mesa, Arizona. He has provided his unique brand of CLE (comedic legal education) for more than 250 bar associations, law firms, and in-house corporate legal departments. His programs all have one thing in common—humor, and plenty of it.

**Joseph D. Cohen** is a partner in the litigation group of Porter Hedges LLP in Houston. He handles catastrophic injury and wrongful death cases arising from allegations of product liability (including pharmaceutical products), exposure to chemicals and asbestos, and general negligence. Mr. Cohen is the program vice chair of this conference.

**Lanny J. Davis**, founder of Lanny J. Davis & Associates LLC in Washington, D.C., is a lawyer, legal crisis manager, consultant, author, weekly political columnist, and television and radio commentator, who counsels individuals, corporations, and others under scrutiny on crisis management and legal issues. He served as former White House Special Counsel to President Bill Clinton.

**Cari K. Dawson** is the chair of the class action practice team of Alston & Bird LLP in Atlanta. She focuses on complex litigation matters. Ms. Dawson has served as lead counsel in class actions for numerous Fortune 500 companies nationwide. She has an established track record of successfully defending clients as lead counsel in high-profile enterprise litigation, and in 2013, the *National Law Journal* named Ms. Dawson one of the "100 Most Influential Lawyers in America."

**Daniel A. DuPré** is deputy general counsel with Federal Signal Corporation, a diversified manufacturer, in Oak Brook, Illinois. Previously, he served as an in-house counsel with Brunswick Corporation, Bank One, and Sears. He has also practiced law for a prominent Chicago-based law firm and served as an assistant U.S. attorney in Chicago.

**Steve Edwards** is a senior recall strategist for Stericycle ExpertSolutions in Indianapolis, who is responsible for ensuring flawless customer integration and satisfaction throughout the pressure-packed recall process. A veteran of more than 900 product recalls, he leads and manages the recall scoping, execution, and plan development for pharmaceutical, food and beverage, medical device, and consumer product manufacturers and retailers.

**The Honorable John Cannon Few** is the chief judge of the South Carolina Court of Appeals in Columbia. From 2000 until February 2010, he served as a state trial judge. Previously, he practiced law in Greenville, South Carolina. Judge Few teaches law at the National Judicial College and several law schools.

**John M. Fitzpatrick**, a trial attorney with Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP in Denver, focuses on high-exposure cases for both national and local clients. His practice involves claims of product defects in aviation, asbestos, pharmaceuticals or medical devices, high-exposure birth trauma claims in medical malpractice, and chemical releases of toxic substances. He has tried in excess of 220 cases to verdict in more than 30 states and obtained defense verdicts in the majority of them.

**B. Thomas Florence, Ph.D.**, a founding partner at ARPC in Washington, D.C., has participated in or provided expert testimony in some of the most significant mass tort and product liability cases in U.S. history. Dr. Florence has consulted on cases dealing with asbestos, breast implants, IUDs, joint replacements, tobacco, Albuterol asthma medication, Fen-Phen, Love Canal, Three Mile Island, Times Beach dioxin, oil platform disasters, and Mississippi DDT contamination.

John E. Hall, Jr., one of the founding partners of Hall Booth Smith PC in Atlanta, defends high exposure cases, including medical malpractice, construction, commercial litigation, mass torts, transportation, and product liability. Mr. Hall has tried in excess of 100 cases to resolution. His expertise in high exposure birth trauma and catastrophic cases resulted in his being named national counsel for several major insurance carriers throughout the Southeastern United States.

**Jack Laffey**, a shareholder in the Milwaukee office of Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek SC, focuses his practice on product liability, transportation litigation, toxic tort, catastrophic injury defense, and insurance and commercial litigation matters. He represents corporations and insurers involved in these areas. Mr. Laffey is a member of DRI's Law Institute and is a former chair of the DRI Trucking Law Committee.

**Saul Levmore** is a former dean at the University of Chicago Law School, where he has earned numerous teaching awards. He is the author of a book on games and puzzles and has most recently written about tort suits and antiobesity, double jeopardy, and contractual and criminal threats. Professor Levmore has taught at Virginia, Yale, Harvard, Michigan, and Northwestern Law Schools.

**Gregory G. Little** is a trial lawyer with White & Case LLP in Washington, D.C., who counsels clients on avoiding, resolving, and winning litigation. In addition to leading highstakes corporate litigation strategy and serving as national coordinating counsel for Fortune 10 companies, Mr. Little has been lead trial counsel in over 45 trials in state and federal courts nationwide. As associate general counsel for Philip Morris, he managed the defense of tobacco litigation.

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