Defense Asbestos Litigation Seminar

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June 8–10 | Paris Las Vegas | Las Vegas, NV

- Annual Asbestos Defense Bar Seminar; meet with clients and colleagues
- Presentations by leading experts on medicine, industrial hygiene, toxicology and other disciplines
- Roundtable presentations by key insurance and in-house corporate representatives as well as national coordinating counsel
- Mock trial presentations by leading defense and plaintiff counsel
- Networking opportunities with insurance, in-house corporate and national coordinating counsel representatives
- Discussions and training regarding depositions and other pre-trial discovery
- Significant presentations and materials offered to defense counsel only
Seminar Organizers

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David A. Speziali
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What You Will Learn

➤ Preparing the defense bar for the next wave of litigation including talc, lung cancer and more
➤ Focusing on best practices for depositions and discovery
➤ Updates regarding fraud claims and bankruptcy trusts
➤ Discussions among clients regarding expectations and new approaches
➤ Where is litigation headed and how to get prepared
PROGRAM SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2016

Cardno ChemRisk
Complementary Asbestos Science Seminar
9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m. Welcome
9:05 a.m. Asbestos State of the Art Related to Insulation Contractors, Distributors and Premises Owners
Anders Abelmann, PhD, Cardno ChemRisk, Chicago, IL

9:25 a.m. Top Recent Asbestos Literature—What Should You Be Aware of and Why?
Brooke Simmons, MPH, CIH, Cardno ChemRisk, San Francisco, CA

9:45 a.m. Talc and Asbestos—Plaintiff and Defense Positions
Amanda Burns, MSPH, Cardno ChemRisk, Brooklyn, NY

10:05 a.m. Talc, Serpentine and Amphiboles: Geology and Analytical Tools
Matt Sanchez, RJ Lee Group, Monroeville, PA

10:25 a.m. Legal Aspects of Talc Litigation
Tracy Cowan, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, St. Louis, MO

10:40 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Bio-persistence of Asbestos Fibers: Why It Legally Matters
Allen Lockerman, Esq., Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA

11:15 a.m. An Updated No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) Analysis for Chrysotile and the Amphiboles
Jennifer Pierce, MS, PhD, Cardno ChemRisk, Chicago, IL

11:35 a.m. Urban vs. Rural Mesothelioma Rate Analysis—Implications for Low Dose Causation Arguments
Shannon Gaffney, PhD, MHS, CIH, Cardno ChemRisk, San Francisco, CA

11:55 a.m. How fast do asbestos fibers really settle out of the air and what is the effect of air flow rates in homes?
Jennifer Sahmel, MPH, CIH, CSP, Cardno ChemRisk, Boulder, CO

12:15 p.m. Q&A

Afternoon Sessions
Open to plaintiff and defense lawyers and clients

1:30 p.m. Introduction
Albert H. Parnell, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA
Tom Radcliffe, DeHay & Elliston LLP, Baltimore, MD
David A. Speziali, Speziali, Greenwald & Hawkins, Williamstown, NJ

1:35 p.m. Lung Cancer Medical Update
Dr. David Weill, Stanford University Medical Center, Stanford, CA

1:50 p.m. Epidemiology and Cases for Low Toxicity of Chrysotile
Dana Hollins, MPH, CIH, Cardno ChemRisk, San Francisco, CA

2:30 p.m. Industrial Hygiene of Take Home Exposure and Bystander Exposures
William Cyrs, MS, CIH, Cardno ChemRisk, San Francisco, CA

2:50 p.m. Point and Counterpoint: Perspectives on Product Analysis
Dr. William E. Longo, PhD, Materials Analytical Services, LLC, Suwanee, GA
Jennifer Pierce, PhD, MS, Cardno ChemRisk, Chicago, Illinois

3:20 p.m. Break

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3:40 p.m. Low Dose Toxicology
Dr. Bryan Hardin, Veritox, Inc., Hilton Head, SC

4:10 p.m. The Science of Automotive Exposures
Dr. Amy Madl, PhD, DABT, Cardno ChemRisk, Aliso Viejo, CA

4:40 p.m. State of the Art: Changes in the Litigation

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2016

Open to Defense Lawyers Only

8:15 a.m. Introduction
Welcome and DALS Website Documents Updates

8:20 a.m. Latest Mesothelioma, Asbestosis, and Lung Cancer filings by State and Plaintiff’s Counsel, and Impact on Bankruptcy Trusts
Brad Drew, Navigant PACE, Hamilton, NJ

8:40 a.m. The Basics of Deposing the Navy or Shipbuilding Plaintiff
Dennis Vega, Segwick, LLP, Newark, NJ

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9:05 a.m.  Talc Exposure, Asbestos and Causation  
Tom Radcliffe, DeHay & Elliston LLP, Baltimore, MD

9:30 a.m.  Household Exposure Claims: Current Medicine on Low Dose Chrysotile Exposures in Women and Deposition Approaches  
Bruce T. Bishop, Willcox & Savage, Norfolk, VA

9:55 a.m.  Break  
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10:15 a.m.  National Counsel Roundtable: Expectations of Counsel  
MODERATOR Tom Radcliffe, DeHay & Elliston LLP, Baltimore, MD
PANELISTS  C. Michael Evert Jr., Evert Weathersby Houff, Atlanta, GA  
Anissa Medigar, Briggs and Morgan, Minneapolis, MN  
H. Lane Young II, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA  
Ellen S. Tenenbaum, McDermott, Will & Emery, Washington, DC

10:50 a.m.  Cross Exam and Strategy for:  
Susan Ratterman  
Ollie M. Harton, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA  
Carl Brodkin  
Ollie M. Harton, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA  
Murray Finkelstein  
Ollie M. Harton, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA  
David Rosner/Gerald Markowitz  
David A. Speziali, Speziali, Greenwald & Hawkins, Williamstown, NJ

11:50 a.m.  Lunch on Your Own

1:05 p.m.  Ethics: Bankruptcy Fraud, Joint Defense and Related Issues  
Kurt Rasmussen, Rasmussen, Willis, Dickey & Moore, LLC, Kansas City, MO

2:05 p.m.  Insurance Company Roundtable  
MODERATOR Thomas W. Tardy III, Maron, Marvel, Bradley & Anderson, LLC, Jackson, MS
PANELISTS  Michael Owen, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH  
Frederick Schaefer, Nationwide Indemnity, Wausau, WI  
Linda Tatka, Firemans Fund Insurance, Novato, CA  
David Warren, Resolute Management Inc., Chicago, IL

3:20 p.m.  In-House Counsel Roundtable  
MODERATOR Robert H. Riley, Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila LLP, Chicago, IL
PANELISTS  Paul F. Slater, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT  
Michael L. Johnson, Union Pacific Railroad, Omaha, NE

5:00 p.m.  The Every Fiber Counts Theory  
Tom Radcliffe, DeHay & Elliston LLP, Baltimore, MD

5:40 p.m.  Jurisdictional Update: Florida  
Evelyn Fletcher Davis, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA

6:30 p.m.  Networking Reception  
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FRIDAY, JUNE 10, 2016

8:20 a.m.  Introduction

8:30 a.m.  Winning the Case Through Plaintiff’s Deposition  
David A. Speziali, Speziali, Greenwald & Hawkins, Williamstown, NJ

8:45 a.m.  Effective Use of Exhibits from Deposition to Trial  
Albert H. Parnell, Hawkins, Parnell, Thackston & Young, LLP, Atlanta, GA

9:00 a.m.  How to Shut Down Madison County  
Raymond R. Fournie, Armstrong Teasdale, St. Louis, MO  
John “Jack” Laffey, Whyte Horsboeck Dudek S.C., Milwaukee, WI

9:30 a.m.  Nuts and Bolts  
The Proximate Cause Defense  
Ingrid Campagne, Walsworth, LLP, San Francisco, CA

The Employer as a Cause Defense  
Gary D. Elliston, DeHay & Elliston LLP, Dallas, TX

The Gasket, Friction Defense  
Michael J. Block, Willbraham, Lawler & Buba, Philadelphia, PA

The Every Fiber Counts Theory  
Tom Radcliffe, DeHay & Elliston LLP, Baltimore, MD
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