



Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Educational Conference • April 25-26, 2024



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST TIP-OFF TIME AND CHECK-IN	Narragansett Room Foyer & L'Apogee
GENERAL SESSION		
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	WORKERS' COMP ODYSSEY: "H.A.L. 9000 HAS A COMP CASE!"... ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE <i>Brian Lamoureux, Esquire, Partner, Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O'Gara LLC; Moderator - The Honorable Michael J. Feeney, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM	FAST BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS	L'Apogee
10:45 AM - 12:00 PM	STATE YOUR CASE OR GET FED UP? WHERE, WHY & WHEN TO FILE! <i>The Honorable Jonathan Calianos, ALJ, US Department of Labor; Mark McKenney, Esquire, McKenney, Clarkin & Estey, LLP; Robert P. Audette, Esquire, Audette, Audette & Violette, LLC; Jeffrey E. Estey, Jr., Esquire, McKenney, Clarkin & Estey, LLP; Aimee E. Audette, Esquire, Audette, Audette & Violette, LLC; Moderator - The Honorable Alfredo T. Conte, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	CONFERENCE LUNCHEON	Capital Ballroom (2nd Floor)
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	WINE TASTING SPONSORED BY GASBARRO'S WINES, PROVIDENCE, RI	L'Apogee
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	DESSERT WITH EXHIBITORS IN EXHIBITION AREA	L'Apogee
1:30 PM - 2:30 PM	ALPHABET SOUP: THE ABC'S OF PTSD NEUROPSYCHOLOGICAL: TO EVALUATE OR NOT TO EVALUATE? <i>Anthony L. Gallo, M.D., Founder of South County Psychiatry; Moderator - The Honorable Keith A. Cardoza, Jr., State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom
2:30 PM - 2:45 PM	CRUNCH TIME WITH THE EXHIBITORS	L'Apogee
2:45 PM - 4:00 PM	BRAIN GAIN: A FEW MOMENTS WITH THE MASTERS OF COMP! <i>The Honorable George E. Healy, Chief Judge (ret.), State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court; Michael S. Schwartz, Esquire, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court; Jeffrey M. Liptrot, Partner, Lewis Brisbois, Providence Office; Nicholas Mancini, Esquire, Mancini Law, LLC; Erica M. O'Connell, Esquire, Bianchi Brouillard Sousa & O'Connell; Moderator - The Honorable Robert M. Ferrieri, Chief Judge, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	THE HOMESTRETCH BREAKOUTS (select A or B)	
	A. BEST PRACTICES INSIDE COURT! <i>Michael St. Pierre, Esquire, Partner, Revens, Revens, St. Pierre & Wyllie, P.C.; Emily V. Heisler, Esquire, The Beacon Mutual Insurance Company; Moderator - The Honorable Steven A. Minicucci, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom
	B. BEST PRACTICES OUTSIDE COURT! (Adjuster Breakout) <i>Elizabeth Fecteau, System Director of Workers' Compensation Risk Management, Care New England; Mary-Beth McGrath, CPCU, AIC, Director of Workers' Compensation, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Human Resources Division; Michael S. Schwartz, Esquire, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court; Kathryn Sherman, Deputy Personnel Administrator, State of Rhode Island; Moderator - The Honorable George J. Lazieh, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Summit (18th Floor)
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	LABOR, LOVE AND LIBATIONS NETWORKING RECEPTION	L'Apogee



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GENERAL SESSION		
9:00 AM - 9:50 AM	RED LIGHT – GREEN LIGHT... LET'S GO TO THE REVIEW! APPELLATE JURISDICTION <i>The Honorable Erin Lynch Prata, Rhode Island Supreme Court Associate Justice; The Honorable Debra L. Olsson, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court (ret.); Thomas M. Dickinson, Esquire; Lauren E. Jones, Esquire; Moderator - The Honorable Susan Pepin Fay, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom
9:50 AM - 10:00 AM	TIME-OUT WITH THE EXHIBITORS	L'Apogee
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	THE FINAL COUNTDOWN: ONLY 2 CREDITS REMAINING BREAKOUTS (select A or B) A. ETHICS <i>Kerry Reilley Travers, Esquire, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court; Moderator - The Honorable Robert E. Hardman, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i> B. PRACTICAL SKILLS (Adjuster Breakout) SCARRING & LOSS OF USE, EVALUATING SETTLEMENTS, THIRD PARTY LIENS, D & D, ETC... <i>Donna Normand, Claims Director, The Beacon Mutual Insurance Company; Maryanne C. Kucia, Workers' Compensation Claim Manager, RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust; Gail Connolly, MBA, PT, ATC, AOEAS, Loss Prevention Manager, The Beacon Mutual Insurance Company; Moderator - The Honorable Moira E. Reynolds, State of Rhode Island Workers' Compensation Court</i>	Biltmore Ballroom Summit (18th Floor)
12:00 PM	ADJOURN	

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