

Asbestos Litigation Conference: A National Overview & Outlook

September 10th – 12th, 2012
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The Fairmont San Francisco

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Last year this event had over 450 in attendance. You won't want to miss this year's event!

Network with Insurance Company Professionals, In-House Counsel, Plaintiff & Defense Attorneys, and other key professionals who are involved with asbestos litigation.

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Asbestos Litigation Conference: A National Overview & Outlook

Perrin Conferences--the acclaimed leader in joint plaintiff/defendant litigation conferences--proudly presents its 2012 "Asbestos Litigation Conference: A National Overview & Outlook" on September 10-12, 2012 at the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, CA; Chaired by John B. Manning, Rick Nemeroff, Joseph F. Rice and Paul Slater.

We look forward to a vibrant and open forum to help better understand the trends currently driving asbestos litigation and what the future will present; recent verdicts, decisions and events in key jurisdictions such as California, Madison County New York and Philadelphia. The speakers will present tactics and strategies in cases involving emerging issues in industrial hygiene and asbestos medicine; recent developments in asbestos bankruptcies and the unique perspective held by our esteemed and renowned judicial, in-house counsel, and insurance panelists.

This year's conference will feature Voir Dire and Jury Selection, Presentation of Evidence and Closing Statement demonstrations with real-time juror reaction based on a mock naval asbestos case. With our 2012 Asbestos Litigation Conference, Perrin Conferences strives to continue setting the standard for providing optimal value in professional education and networking. We're looking forward to seeing you in San Francisco!

Saturday, September 8, 2012

7:45 AM – **Alcatraz Invitational 2012 Swim**

Join us for a 1.25 mile open water swim from a point abeam *Alcatraz* Island back to the South End Rowing Clubhouse at the foot of the Hyde St. Pier in San Francisco.

For details and to register, please visit the Alcatraz Invitational website: <http://www.south-end.org/invitational/>

Please contact Bethany Long at (610) 220-1817 or b.long@perrinconferences.com if you choose to register.

Sunday, September 9, 2012

12:30 PM – **Perrin Conferences Golf Outing**

Location: Presidio Golf Course- San Francisco, CA
300 Finley Road at Arguello Gate, San Francisco

Join us at Presidio Golf Course on Sunday, September 9 for the Perrin Conferences Annual Networking Golf Outing. The tournament will be a modified shotgun start starting at 12:30pm. We look forward to you joining us in this worthwhile pre-conference event. Visit the course website: www.presidiogolf.com

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7:00 PM – 8:00 PM – **Opening Cocktail Reception**

Join us for cocktails and networking reception sponsored by the law firms of **Foley & Mansfield and The Nemeroff Law Firm, P.C.** in the Crown Room atop the "Fabulous Fairmont." High atop Nob Hill on the 23rd floor of the Tower Building, the Crown Room, boasts some of the most spectacular views of San Francisco.

Monday, September 10, 2012

8:00 AM – Registration & Continental Breakfast

Sponsored by: Forman Perry Watkins Krutz & Tardy LLP

8:45 AM – Welcome & Opening Remarks

John B. Manning, Esq., Cooley Manion Jones LLP, Boston, MA

Rick Nemeroff, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, P.C., Dallas, TX

Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

9:00 AM – National Trends Driving Asbestos Litigation

- Crunching the numbers: New plaintiffs, new defendants, new dockets and new filing patterns
- Asbestos litigation in the next decade
- Following the incidence curve? Reasons why asbestos litigation will continue to be sustained despite a precipitous drop in incidence
- Latency---What defendants are at risk to face claims further into the future?
- Pharmaceutical, environmental and other torts that could take attention and judicial resources away from asbestos litigation
- How will the 2012 presidential and congressional elections impact asbestos litigation and future tort-reform efforts?

Perry J. Browder, Esq., Simmons Browder Gianaris Angelides & Barnerd LLC, East Alton, IL

Shepard Hoffman, Esq., The Law Offices of Shepard Hoffman, LLC, Dallas, TX

Charlie Mullin, Ph.D., Bates White LLC, Washington, D.C.

Albert Parnell, Esq., Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP, Atlanta, GA

Stephanie Plancich, Ph.D., Senior Consultant, NERA Economic Consulting, New York, NY

10:00 AM – Navigating Maritime and U.S. Navy Asbestos Cases--Plaintiff and Defense Strategies

- Overview of the current make-up of maritime and navy claims
- Strengths and weaknesses of maritime law as a choice of law issue
- Ship and shipyard exposure: the expanding pool of sites, claimants and defendants
- Sophisticated User and Learned Intermediary--Who knew more than the Navy?
- Removal issues--federal enclave and federal officer jurisdiction
- Top Gun--information you need to know about the top naval plaintiff and defense experts

Thomas J. Burns, Esq., O'Connell, Tivin, Miller & Burns, Chicago, IL

Christian H. Hartley, Esq., Maune Raichle Hartley French & Mudd Law, LLC, Charleston, SC
Michael A. Pollard, Esq., Baker & McKenzie, Chicago, IL
Brian J. Schneider, Esq., Moran Reeves & Conn PC, Richmond, VA

10:45 AM – Break

Sponsored by: Offit Kurman

11:00 AM – Emerging and Specialized Claims

- Brake-grinding machines
- Take-home exposure
- Friction products
- Components parts
- Talc
- Railroad claims
- Electrical products
- Aviation
- Overhead crane exposure

Ingrid K. Campagne, Esq., Walsworth Franklin Bevins & McCall, LLP, San Francisco, CA

William D. Shultz, Jr., Esq., Kurowski Shultz LLC, Swansea, IL

John Langdoc, Esq., Baron and Budd, P.C., Dallas, TX

David Speziali, Esq., Speziali, Greenwald & Hawkins, P.C., Williamstown, NJ

John J. Spillane, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, P.C., Dallas, TX

11:45 AM – Asbestos Bankruptcy: New Filings, Confirmations & Appeals

Steven Kazan, Esq., Kazan Law, Oakland, CA

Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

12:30 PM – Networking Lunch

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1:30 PM – Litigating Cases in Delaware and New York

- Nature and sources of east coast filings
- Recent verdicts, decisions, and trends
- Evidentiary and procedural nuances
- East versus West: comparing and contrasting the rules, courts and juries
- New Special Master for New York asbestos litigation

Hon. Claire P. Gutekunst, Special Master for the NYC Asbestos Litigation, New York, NY

Hon. Sherry Klein Heitler, New York State Supreme Court, New York, NY

Robert Komitor, Esq., Levy Phillips & Konigsberg, LLP, New York, NY

Hon. John A. Parkins, Jr., Superior Court of Delaware, Wilmington, DE

Paul A. Scrudato, Esq., Schiff Hardin LLP, New York, NY

2:30 PM– The Philadelphia and Madison County Courts– How Recent Changes to those Asbestos Dockets May Reshape the Litigation

- Judge Harrison and Madison County trial slots--will cases stay in Illinois or move elsewhere?
- Overview of Madison County filings in 2012 and cases set for 2013
- How may the new order affect global settlements in Madison County?
- Philadelphia and reverse-bifurcation--an analysis on the new protocols for Philly docket
- Forum and consolidation issues in the Philly court
- “Each and every fiber” under Pennsylvania law

Laurence H. Brown, Esq., Brookman, Rosenberg, Brown & Sandler, Philadelphia, PA

Steven Hart, Esq., Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd., Chicago, IL

Damian S. Jackson, Esq., Reilly, Janiczek & McDevitt, P.C., Philadelphia PA

Hon. Sandra Mazer Moss, Coordinating Judge Complex Litigation Center, Philadelphia, PA

Hon. Arnold L. New, Court of Common Pleas, Co-Coordinating Judge, Complex Litigation Center, Philadelphia, PA

3:15- PM – Break

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3:30 PM – The Latest Advancements in Asbestos Medicine

- Latest medical advances in causation and treatment
- The pathology of asbestos-related disease--do genetics have a role in determining individual causation?

Arnold R. Brody, Ph.D., Professor, Department of Molecular Biomedical Sciences, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC

Anne Kearse, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

R. Scott Masterson, Esq., Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, Atlanta, GA

Victor L. Roggli, MD, Professor of Pathology, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, NC

4:15 PM – Corporate Roundtable: Insight from Top Plaintiff & Defense Executives on Today’s Asbestos Litigation Environment

Moderator: Thomas W. Tardy, III, Esq., Forman Perry Watkins Krutz & Tardy LLP, Jackson, MS

Christy Benton, Esq., Assistant General Counsel- Litigation, John Crane Inc., Morton Grove, IL

Michael Glackin, Managing Counsel - Products, IP & DAS Litigation, Dow Chemical Co., Midland, MI

Holly Harris, Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company, San Ramon, CA

Mary Beth McCarthy, Senior Litigation Counsel, Lehigh Hanson, Inc., Irving, TX

Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

5:15 PM – Adjourn

5:30-7:30 PM – Rooftop Cocktail Reception- Sponsored by: Cooley Manion Jones LLP

Tuesday, September 11, 2012

8:00 AM- Women and Business Breakfast

**Sponsored by: Dinsmore & Shohl, LLP
Poole & Shaffery, LLP**

Moderator: Anne Harman, Esq., Dinsmore & Shohl LLP, Wheeling, WV

Hon. Helen I. Bendix, Supervising Judge of the Settlement Courts for the Central District of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA

Hon. Emilie H. Elias, Los Angeles Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA

Hon. Claire P. Gutekunst, Special Master for the NYC Asbestos Litigation, New York, NY

Hon. Sherry Klein Heitler, New York State Supreme Court, New York, NY

Hon. Teri Jackson, Asbestos Department Judge, San Francisco Superior Court, San Francisco, CA

Hon. Jo-Lynne Q. Lee, Asbestos Department Judge, Alameda County Superior Court, Oakland, CA

Hon. Sandra Mazer Moss, Coordinating Judge Complex Litigation Center, Philadelphia, PA

8:30 AM- Continental Breakfast

Sponsored by: Margolis Edelstein

9:00 AM- Understanding Today's Juror

W. Mark Lanier, Esq., The Lanier Law Firm, Houston, TX

9:45 AM – Mock Trial Voir Dire & Jury Selection

For the Plaintiff: Jeffrey Simon, Esq., Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, Dallas, TX

For the Defense: Robert E. Thackston, Esq., Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP, Dallas, TX

Judge: Hon. Mark Davidson, 11th Civil District Court of Texas, Harris County, TX

10:45 AM – Break

11:00 AM – Mock Trial Objective Summary of the Evidence

For the Plaintiff: John Langdoc, Esq., Baron and Budd, P.C., Dallas, TX

For the Defense: Doug Wah, Esq., Foley & Mansfield, Oakland/Los Angeles, CA

Judge: Hon. Mark Davidson, 11th Civil District Court of Texas, Harris County, TX

11:30 AM – Mock Trial Closing Statements

For the Plaintiff: Rick Nemeroff, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, P.C., Dallas, TX

For the Defense: John Fitzpatrick, Esq., Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP, Denver, CO

Judge: Hon. Mark Davidson, 11th Civil District Court of Texas, Harris County, TX

12:30 PM – Networking Lunch

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Sandler Occupational Medicine Associates, Inc.

1:30 PM – Mock Trial Jury Deliberation

Susan G. Fillichio, Senior Vice President, DecisionQuest, Torrance, CA

John Fitzpatrick, Esq., Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP, Denver, CO

Rick Nemeroff, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, P.C., Dallas, TX

3:00 PM - In-House & Insurance Counsel Reflect on Mock Trial

Moderator: Nicholas Vari, Esq., K&L Gates LLP, Pittsburgh, PA

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Senior Vice President, Claims TIG Insurance Company, RiverStone Claims Management, LLC, Manchester, NH

Michael Glackin, Managing Counsel - Products, IP & DAS Litigation, Dow Chemical Co., Midland, MI

Holly Harris, Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company, San Ramon, CA

Frederick Schaefer, Associate Vice President, Nationwide Indemnity, Wausau, WI

Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

Linda Tatka, Claims Director-Asbestos, Fireman's Fund/Allianz Insurance Company, San Francisco, CA

3:30 PM – Break

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3:45 PM – Top 10 Things Defendants & Plaintiffs Should Know About Insurance Claims

- How coverage issues impact underlying litigation

Michael Conley, Esq., Offit Kurman, Philadelphia, PA

Elizabeth Hanke, Vice President, KCIC, Washington, DC

Heather H. Neubauer, Esq., Meagher & Geer, P.L.L.P., Minneapolis, MN

4:15 PM – Seismic Shifts in California Asbestos Litigation

- Update on 2012 verdicts, settlements and precedent rulings
- Overview of the current judicial resources of California asbestos dockets--what impact has it had on the litigation?
- The coordination of the San Francisco docket: global case settlements, forum, discovery and other issues
- San Fran and Alameda--the debate of the elimination of the general orders

- The explosion of the L.A. docket since 2006--filing pattern in Southern California
- The recent coordination/consolidation of L.A. asbestos docket--what does it mean for plaintiffs and defendants?

Hon. Helen I. Bendix, Supervising Judge of the Settlement Courts for the Central District of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA

Hon. Emilie H. Elias, Los Angeles Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA

Scott L. Frost, Esq., Waters, Kraus & Paul, Los Angeles, CA

Hon. Teri Jackson, Asbestos Department Judge, San Francisco Superior Court, San Francisco, CA

Hon. Jo-Lynne Q. Lee, Asbestos Department Judge, Alameda County Superior Court, Oakland, CA

James Parker, Esq., Brydon Hugo & Parker, San Francisco, CA

5:15 PM – Adjourn

5:15-6:15 PM – Cocktail Reception
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Event Agenda

Day 3

Wednesday, September 12, 2012

8:00 AM- Continental Breakfast
Sponsored by: Eppley Court Reporting

8:30 AM – MDL 875: New Issues & Challenges in Managing the Federal Court Docket

- Update on cases remaining in the MDL docket--Dec. 31, 2012 deadline
- Active Federal jurisdictions
- Elimination of tag-along cases
- Overview on the resolution of MDL maritime asbestos cases
- Differences in litigating asbestos cases in federal court

Nathan D. Finch, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Washington, DC

John J. Kurowski, Esq., Kurowski Shultz, LLC, Swansea, IL

9:15 AM – Best Practices in Managing the Insured/Insurer Relationship – What’s Your Policy?

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Senior Vice President, Claims TIG Insurance Company, RiverStone Claims Management, LLC, Manchester, NH

Greg Mareno, National Asbestos Field Claims Manager, HelpPoint Claim Services by Farmers Insurance, Los Angeles, CA

Malcolm Myers, Vice President- Asbestos Issues, Resolute Management Mid-Atlantic Division, Philadelphia, PA

Thomas Olsen, Senior Vice President, Mass Tort, Chartis Insurance, New York, NY

Peter Pogue, Claims Consultant, Resolute Management, Inc., Midwest Division, Chicago, IL

Frederick Schaefer, Associate Vice President, Nationwide Indemnity, Wausau, WI

Amanda Webber, Claims Specialist, Fireman's Fund/Allianz Insurance Company, San Francisco, CA

10:15 AM – Break

10:30 AM – Alternative Causes of Mesothelioma- Erionite, SV-40, and Radiation

Brian Gross, Esq., Cooley Manion Jones LLP, Boston, MA

David Egilman MD, MPH, Clinical Professor, Department of Family Medicine, Brown University, Attleboro, MA

Howard Sandler, M.D., Sandler Occupational Medicine Associates, Inc., Melville, NY

11:00 AM – Medicare Secondary Payer Reporting- Updates from the Front Lines

Malini Ireland, PMP, Director, PACE Claims Services, Hamilton, NJ

Marsharee Wilcox, Assistant Vice President, Claims, Brandywine Holdings, Philadelphia, PA

11:30 AM –Ethics in Mass Tort Settlements

- Cumulative or Group Settlements
- Candor to the Tribunal (Not sure what the tribunal is?)
- Communications with clients regarding settlements and the status of the case
- Can there be an ethical duty to settle
- Installment payment plans and settlement of future claims

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12:30 PM – Adjourn

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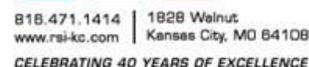
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