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Construction Law 101

We are thrilled to announce our first annual Construction Law Boot Camp, a comprehensive and in-depth introduction to construction claims!



Who Should Attend?

Attorneys and claim handlers who are new to construction claims

November 8, 2018

Greenberg Traurig LLP

Chicago, IL

Join us for a one-day, in-depth workshop, narrowly focused on key aspects of the construction claims and litigation process. This is an event not to be missed. See page 2 for the agenda and workshop description. For more information, contact Lisa Black at **lblack@bmslegal.com**.



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What You Will Learn

- Sessions will cover procedural processes and hurdles, legal considerations as they relate to risk transfer in multiparty litigation, how to avoid litigation pitfalls, and practical solutions for problems common to construction claims.

- Blending legal theory with real-life application, a dynamic group of

experienced construction industry professionals will share their insights, knowledge, and real-world case examples, based on decades of experience handling construction claims.

- This program will provide a thorough review, both for those new to these claims and for those wanting a refresher.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2018

Networking Reception | Acebounce, 230 N. Clark St., Chicago, IL, 60601 6:00 p.m.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018

8:30 a.m. **Registration**

8:30 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

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9:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction**

Lisa J. Black, *Black Marjeh & Sanford LLP*, Elmsford, NY

Ami C. Dwyer, *SEA Ltd.*, Baltimore, MD

9:15 a.m. **The Anatomy of a Construction Claim**

From personal injury to design and defects, these issues can lead to delay, inefficiency, and acceleration, demonstrating how construction claims are complex creatures. Learn about the parties, their relationships to one another, the tripartite relationship between insureds and insurers, and the theories and causes of action that make up a complex construction claim.

Brandi Christine Blair, *Jones Skelton & Hochuli PLC*, Phoenix, AZ

Denise M. Montgomery, *Sweeney & Sheehan PC*, Philadelphia, PA

9:45 a.m. **Not It! Important Considerations for Risk Transfer**

Whether your client is on offense, defense, or analyzing available coverage, risk transfer is the most significant play in a complex construction claim. This session will cover the various components of risk transfer—from the effect of privity and typical contractual risk transfer provisions and allocation of fault, to the significant role that insurance plays in this game-changing dynamic.

➤ **Eileen Jenkins**, *Great American Risk Solutions*, Cincinnati, OH

Joshua Brook (Josh) Levy, *Husch Blackwell LLP*, Milwaukee, WI

➤ **Margaret M. (Margie) Donnell**, *Hiscox USA*, Chicago, IL

11:00 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

11:15 a.m. **Litigation Management and Discovery**

This panel will cover the strategy and timing behind when to retain counsel and experts, tender claims, and address privilege issues, as well as how to conduct effective, value-added discovery and motion practice to advance your defenses. Panelists will also discuss how defense counsel can ensure that they are complying with a client's guidelines for handling claims.

➤ **Ashley Kramer**, *Comfort Systems USA*, Houston, TX

Evan B. Rudnicki, *Black Marjeh & Sanford LLP*, Elmsford, NY

➤ **Ilka V. Torres**, *Brady Risk Management*, Huntington, NY

12:15 p.m. **Lunch (on-site)**

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1:30 p.m. **The End-Game: How to Develop and Implement Your Resolution Strategy**

Moving a complex claim from its initial stages to resolution requires a solid strategy. A significant part of that strategy involves evaluating the technical aspects of the claim and identifying how that technical expertise will be used to prosecute and defend the claims. Counsel and expert witnesses can work together throughout the process to resolve claims, narrow the issues, and if necessary, prepare for trial.

Rinaldo J. Cartaya III, *Quintairos Prieto Wood & Boyer PA*, Orlando, FL

William H. (Bill) Haydt, *Trauner Consulting Services Inc.*, Philadelphia, PA

Lisa Torron-Bautista, *Schouest Bamdas Soshea & BenMaier PLLC*, Boca Raton, FL

2:30 p.m. **Refreshment Break**

2:45 p.m. **The End Game: How to Develop and Implement Your Resolution Strategy (continued)**

Implementing a resolution strategy for claims often involves the ADR process. This session will discuss strategies to narrow the issues and resolve claims using ADR, and if necessary, prepare for trial.

Alicia R. Kennon, *Wood Smith Henning & Berman LLP*, Concord, CA

I'Ashea Myles-Dihigo, *Leitner Williams Dooley & Napolitan PLLC*, Nashville, TN

Andrew K. Nieto, *SEA Consulting Limited PA*, Elk Grove Village, IL

3:45 p.m. **Adjourn**

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