

The Florida Workers' Compensation Institute, Inc. Presents

The

Spring Forum on Workers' Compensation

Thursday, May 12, 2011

*Caribe Royale Orlando All-Suites Hotel & Convention Center,
8101 World Center Drive, Orlando, FL*

Florida Workers' Compensation: Claim Strategies For Dealing With The Ever-Changing Law

The Florida workers' compensation system has experienced unprecedented changes since the 2003 revisions in the law. This year's Spring Forum will examine:

- ✱ Legislative update on workers' compensation issues;
- ✱ Judicial update from the Chief Judge;
- ✱ Learning practical ways of dealing with the MSA controversy;
- ✱ Case law update considering "big cases" decided since last year's conference;
- ✱ Developing claims strategies in response to the changing laws legislatively created and judicially mandated;
- ✱ Practical tips for handling workers' compensation cases;
- ✱ Dealing with the complicated issues of the most costly part of a workers' compensation case: medical;
- ✱ Understanding how workers' compensation judges think, what they expect from litigants, and perhaps most importantly, "aggravations" you need to avoid.

Practical application of the developing law is the central focus of this year's forum. Each attendee will be provided with a course book, with statutory references, outlines and handouts. Lunch will be included as a part of the Spring Forum.



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Program Agenda

Room Location: Caribbean V - VII

7:30 - 8:15 am	Registration and Coffee
8:15 - 8:30 am	Introduction and Announcements Steven A. Rissman, Attorney and Program Moderator Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A. Orlando, FL
8:30 - 9:30 am	Controversial Issues and How to Deal with Them Practically James N. McConnaughay, Attorney McConnaughay, Duffy, Coonrod, Pope & Weaver, P.A. Tallahassee, FL Steven A. Rissman, Attorney Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A. Orlando, FL
9:30 - 9:45 am	Break
9:45 - 10:45 am	Important Update From the Chief Judge Honorable David W. Langham Deputy Chief Judge of Workers' Compensation Claims Pensacola, FL
10:45 - 11:45 am	Difficult Medical Issues: How to Resolve Issues That Seem Too Hard to Resolve M. Kemmerly Thomas, Attorney McConnaughay, Duffy, Coonrod, Pope & Weaver, P.A. Tallahassee, FL Beatriz A. Justin, Attorney Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A. Tampa, FL
11:45 - 1:00 pm	Lunch - Caribbean IV
1:00 - 2:00 pm	A View From the Bench Honorable John J. Lazzara Judge of Workers' Compensation Claims Tallahassee, FL Honorable Thomas W. Sculco Judge of Workers' Compensation Claims Orlando, FL Honorable Donna S. Remsnyder Judge of Workers' Compensation Claims St. Petersburg, FL Honorable Diane Beck Judge of Workers' Compensation Claims Sarasota, FL
2:00 - 2:15 pm	Break
2:15 - 3:15 pm	Hot Topics: Big Issues in Cases Pertaining to Indemnity E. Louis Stern, Attorney McConnaughay, Duffy, Coonrod, Pope & Weaver, P.A. Sarasota, FL Robert A. Donahue, Attorney Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A. Ft. Pierce, FL
3:15 - 4:15 pm	How to Prevent Medicare From Ruining Your Settlements Rafael Gonzalez CEO of the Center for Lien Resolution and the Center for Medicare Set Aside Administration Clearwater, FL Daniel T. Jaffe, Attorney Rissman, Barrett, Hurt, Donahue & McLain, P.A. Tampa, FL Christopher G. McCue, Attorney McConnaughay, Duffy, Coonrod, Pope & Weaver, P.A. Tallahassee, FL

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- * 6' draped table-top display table around refreshment break area with priority selection of exhibit spaces
- * Chance to participate in prize drawing presentation at luncheon
- * Spring Forum attendee mailing list

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Table-Top Exhibits - \$500

A limited quantity of table-top display spaces are available for purchase. Each display space includes:

- * 6' draped table
- * 2 Complimentary Forum registrations
- * Chance to participate in prize drawing presentation at luncheon
- * Spring Forum attendee mailing list

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Advertising is available in the Spring Forum handbook given to each attendee of the Spring Forum. The ads will be placed in the front of the handbook and will be printed in full-color. Print-quality pdf's are preferred, but most formats are acceptable. Ads are available in the following sizes:

Quarter Page Ad (4 1/4 inches by 5 1/2 inches) - \$400

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Registration Form

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HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS:

For your convenience a block of sleeping rooms has been reserved at the Caribe Royale Orlando All-Suites Hotel & Convention Center for this forum. Please complete the following information and a reservation will be processed for you. The sleeping room rate is \$119.00 per night, Queen/Double; \$119 per night, Standard King; \$139 per night, King Deluxe; \$244 per night, Villa; and \$319 per night, Executive Suite . Cut-off April 11, 2011.

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Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. The forum is from 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. and will include refreshment breaks and lunch. Cost is \$159.00. Onsite Registration is \$179.00, or if received after April 25, 2011. For more information, contact the Florida Workers' Compensation Institute at (850) 425-8156 or 425-8155. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND.

REFUND POLICY: Cancellations must be made more than 7 days prior to the seminar. A \$25 processing fee will be charged on all cancellation requests postmarked 7 days prior to the seminar date. Registrants who do not cancel and do not attend the seminar are liable for the entire fee. Refunds will be processed within 30 days following seminar.

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