

Program Schedule

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THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2023

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 am – 10:30 am **MANAGING PAIN: MAY THE CURE BE WITH YOU!**
Shiqiang “Chris” Tian, MD, University Orthopedics; Justin Y. Li, MD, Norman Prince Spine Institute, Rhode Island Hospital; Joyce Martin, DC, APRN, QC, Kinetix; Moderator – The Honorable George J. Lazieh, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- 10:30 am – 10:45 am **BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS**
- 10:45 am – 12:00 pm **OCCUPATIONAL INJURY CLAIMS: THIS IS THE WAY!**
Gregory Boyer, Esquire, Law Offices of Gregory L. Boyer; Andrew S. Caslowitz, Esquire, Rapoport DeGiovanni and Caslowitz; Moderator - The Honorable Michael J. Feeney, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm **CONFERENCE LUNCHEON - Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation System Overview**
Justin Moulton, CPCU, WCP, ARC, ARe, Speaker - Senior State Relations Executive, National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI).
- 1:00 pm – 1:30 pm **DESSERT WITH EXHIBITORS IN EXHIBITION AREA**
- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm **3RD PARTY LIENS: THE GOOD, THE BAD, & THE HOLIDAY!**
Wesley G. Marshall, Commissioner, Virginia Workers’ Compensation Commission; Michael S. Schwartz, Esquire, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court; Michael St. Pierre, Esquire, Revens, Revens, St. Pierre & Wyllie, P.C.; Moderator – The Honorable Susan Pepin-Fay, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- 2:30 pm – 2:45 pm **BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS**
- 2:45 pm – 4:00 pm **“YOUR PLACE OR MINE?” ISSUES WITH REMOTE WORKSPACE**
Deborah G. Kohl, Esquire, The Law Offices of Deborah G. Kohl; Joelle Hays, Esquire, Morrison Mahoney LLP; William Gardner, IV, Esquire, Izzo, Gardner & Moran LLP; Angelo R. Simone, Esquire, Simone & McCahey, LLP; Moderator – The Honorable Kevin B. Reall, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm **BREAKOUTS**
THE INS AND OUTS OF WORKERS’ COMPENSATION COURT (CHOOSE ONE WISELY)
- A. Best Practices INSIDE COURT!**
Nicholas Mancini, Esquire, Mancini Law LLC; Erica M. O’Connell, Esquire, Bianchi Brouillard Sousa & O’Connell, P.C.; Moderator – The Honorable Alfredo T. Conte, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- B. Best Practices OUTSIDE COURT!**
Maryanne C. Kucia, Workers’ Compensation Claims Manager, RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust; Donna Normand, Claims Director, The Beacon Mutual Insurance Company; Moderator - Moira E. Reynolds, Esquire, Law Office of Kevin Flood
- 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm **NETWORKING RECEPTION**

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

- 8:00 am – 9:00 am **REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**
- 9:00 am – 9:50 am **THE DOCTOR IS IN! (LEND YOUR HANDS AND BEND YOUR ELBOWS)**
Eric Walsh, MD, CAQSH, FAAOS, Ortho Rhode Island; Moderator - The Honorable Keith A. Cardoza, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- 9:50 am – 10:00 am **BREAK WITH EXHIBITORS**
- 10:00 am – 12:00 pm **BREAKOUTS (select A or B)**
THE YOGI BERRA SESSION: “WHEN YOU COME TO A FORK IN THE ROAD, TAKE IT.”
- A. ETHICAL LAWYERING (IT’S NOT AN OXYMORON!) “YOU CAN OBSERVE A LOT BY JUST WATCHING.”**
Kerry Reilly Travers, Esquire, Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court
- B. ODDS & ENDS: “IF YOU DON’T KNOW WHERE YOU ARE GOING, YOU’LL END UP SOMEPLACE.”**
Elizabeth P. Fecteau, Esquire, System Director of Workers’ Compensation, Care New England; Jeffrey M. Liptrot, Esquire, Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP; Jack R. DeGiovanni, Jr., Esquire, Rapoport, DeGiovanni & Caslowitz, Inc.; Moderator – The Honorable Steven A. Minicucci, State of Rhode Island Workers’ Compensation Court
- ADJOURN AND PLEASE REMEMBER: “IT AIN’T OVER TIL IT’S OVER!”**