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# Workers' Compensation Trial Advocacy Workshop



**COURSE CLASSIFICATION: INTERMEDIATE LEVEL** 

Live Presentation: June 16-17, 2017 OJCC – Rohde Building 401 NW 2nd Avenue Miami, FL 33128



Course No. 2428R

Whether you are a recent graduate or a seasoned professional, The Trial Advocacy Workshop will change the way you approach trials, improving your performance exponentially. The trial, conducted by participants, will include issues involving the "fraud defense," the applicability of the Daubert Standard, the applicability of major contributing cause and the use or exclusion of various forms of evidence.

This is a hands-on-program limited to 24 attorney participants. The focus of the program includes application of the Rules of Evidence, direct and cross examination of expert and lay witnesses and trial strategy. **THIS PROGRAM IS NOT OFFERED EVERY YEAR AND THE 24 SLOTS FILL UP EARLY.** 

Over 300 lawyers have experience this program which was endorsed by DEPUTY Chief Judge David W. Langham, OJCC.

"The fact that this program exists is a tribute to you and the rest of the faculty. I regret that this program was not available when I was beginning my life as a young litigator. However, it appears to me that there is significant value in this program even for experienced litigators. I concluded that, with the possible exception of a Board Certification Review Course years ago, I have never been to a more practical, effective continuing education opportunity."

### Friday, June 16, 2017

8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

**Check-In (Continental Breakfast)** 

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

**Registration and Introductory Remarks** 

9:30 a.m. -10:00 a.m.

Professionalism and Civility in day-today Practice

James Fee, Miami Richard Thompson, Sarasota

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Rules of Evidence and Proper Objections

Richard Sicking, Coral Gables and other faculty members

11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. - Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Faculty Presentation

Demonstration of Direct and Cross

Examination of Lay and Expert

Witnesses

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch (included in registration)** 

1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Preparation for Video Conference Trial** *Honorable Stephen L. Rosen, Saint* 

Petersburg

2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. - Break

2:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Continuance of Trial Preparation** 

4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Preparation of Pre-Trial Stipulation** 

### Saturday, June 17, 2017

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

**Check-In/Court Assignments** 

8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Commencement of Final Hearing Conducted by Participants before Judges of Compensation Claims

3:30 p.m. -4:00 p.m.

Conclusion of Program, Comments & Critiques

#### Faculty/Attorneys:

Karen Cullen, Orlando
James Fee, Miami
Karen Gilmartin, Miami Lakes
Jeffery I. Jacobs, Miami
Ramon Malca, Miami
Christopher Petruccelli, Tampa
Robert Rodriguez, Coral Gables
William Rogner, Winter Park
Richard Sicking, Coral Gables
Richard Thompson, Sarasota
Mark Touby, Coral Gables
Glen Wieland, Orlando
Mark Zientz, Miami

### **Participating Judges:**

Honorable Edward Almeyda, Miami Honorable Robert Dietz, Sebastian Honorable Iliana Forte, Lauderdale Lakes Honorable Geraldine Brown Hogan, Lauderdale Lakes

Honorable William R. Holley, Jacksonville Honorable Sylvia Medina-Shore, Miami Honorable Stephen L. Rosen L. Rosen, Saint Petersburg

# WORKERS' COMPENSATION SECTION

Alan Kalinoski, Orlando — Chair Paul Anderson, Tallahassee — Chair-elect Dawn Traverso, Aventura — CLE Chair Ramon Malca, Miami — Program Chair

### **CLE CREDITS**

### **CLER PROGRAM**

(Max. Credit:15.5 hours) General: 15.5 hours Ethics: 0.5 hours

### **CERTIFICATION PROGRAM**

(Max. Credit: 15.5 hours)
Civil Trial: 15.5 hours
Workers' Compensation: 15.5 hours

Seminar credit may be applied to satisfy CLER / Certification requirements in the amounts specified above, not to exceed the maximum credit. See the CLE link at www.floridabar.org for more information.

Prior to your CLER reporting date (located on the mailing label of your Florida Bar News or available in your CLE record on-line) you will be sent a Reporting Affidavit if you have not completed your required hours (must be returned by your CLER reporting date).

NOTE: Certification Standards and Policies, Civil Trial Law, state in rule 6-4.3(a)(2): Minimum standards state that successful completion of an advanced trial advocacy seminar approved by the committee which either through teaching or attending includes as part of its curriculum active participation in simulated courtroom proceedings may substitute as one jury or non-jury trial in certification or re-certification

## **HOW TO REGISTER**

─■" MAIL:

FAX: 850/561-9413

Completed form w/check | Form w/credit card info.

REFUND POLICY: Requests for refund must be in writing. Registration fees are non-transferrable, unless transferred to a colleague registering at the same price paid. A \$25 service fee applies to refund requests. No refunds after May 15, 2017. Register me for the "Workers' Compensation Trial Advocacy Workshop." ONE LOCATION: (353) OJCC - Rohde Building 401 NW 2nd Ave Miami, FL 33128 TO REGISTER BY MAIL, SEND THIS FORM TO: The Florida Bar, Workers' Compensation Section Administrator, 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300 with a check in the appropriate amount, payable to The Florida Bar or credit card information filled in below. If you have questions, call 850/561-5831. \_\_\_\_\_\_Florida Bar # \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address City/State/Zip\_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ WMS: Course No. 2428R REGISTRATION FEE (CHECK ONE): ■ Member of the Workers' Compensation Section: \$430 □ Non-section member: \$490 METHOD OF PAYMENT (CHECK ONE): ☐ Check enclosed made payable to The Florida Bar ☐ Credit Card (Fax to 850/561-9413.) ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ VISA ☐ DISCOVER ☐ AMEX \_\_\_\_\_Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_ (MO./YR.) Signature: Name on Card: Please check here if you have a disability that may require special attention or services. To ensure availability of appropriate accommodations, attach a general description of your needs. We will contact you for further coordination. Please answer the following: 1) Have you handled workers' compensation claims in the past? \_\_\_\_ If yes, how many years? \_\_\_\_\_ 2) How many merits final hearings have you participated in? \_\_\_\_\_ 3) Do you primarily work for the: Claimant \_\_\_\_ Defense \_\_\_\_ Return this completed form with a check made payable to The Florida Bar to:

> The Florida Bar **Attn: Workers Compensation Section Administrator** 651 E. Jefferson Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300

REGISTRATION IS DESIGNED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF 24 QUALIFIED ATTORNEYS WITH ALL LEVELS OF WORKERS' COMPENSA-TION LITIGATION EXPERIENCE.

Application deadline is May 15, 2017. Qualified applicants will be notified by mail, and will receive further information about the course at that time. Refunds will be made in full for those not admitted to the workshop. Accepted applicants who do not notify The Florida Bar by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 15, 2017 that they will be unable to attend the workshop, will forfeit the entire registration fee. Accepted applicants who notify The Florida Bar prior to Friday, May 15, 2017 that they will be unable to attend the workshop, will have a \$25 service fee retained.

If you have any questions concerning the application process or refunds, call (850) 561-5624. Questions concerning course content or materials should be directed to Ramon Malca, Esq., at (305) 662-5500.