# 2012

# Workers' Compensation Update

oin your friends and colleagues for this informative and practical annual event. Not to be missed, this seminar will update you on the important new cases, administrative developments, and current issues in workers' compensation practice that are significant for you and your clients.

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2012

Oregon Convention Center 777 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Portland, Oregon

5.5 General and 1 Access to Justice MCLE Credits

# SCHEDULE

8:00 a.m. LATE REGISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS

# 8:30-9:30 The Pre-existing and Current Condition of Combined Conditions

- A brief history of combined conditions
- Is Piwowar still relevant?
- Did Kollias really make any difference?
- The dreaded acceptance of a combined condition
- What is a "material change" or "change in circumstances?"
- What is a "separate condition" and how does the "scope of acceptance" affect it?
- PPD/rating issues
  - H. Thomas Andersen

### 9:30-10:30 Appellate Update

- Significant Workers' Compensation Board cases
- Analysis of Oregon Court of Appeals and Supreme Court cases
  - Julene M. Quinn
  - Rebecca A. Watkins

10:30-10:45 BREAK

# 10:45-11:45 Things a Workers' Compensation Lawyer Should Know About PI Cases

- Identifying third-party claims
- Sign, refer, or associate?
- Investigating facts and insurance coverage
- Interplay between workers' compensation and personal injury claims
- Settlement and liens
  - Keith Semple
  - Stacy Tela-Kerber

### 11:45-12:00 News from the Board

- Update on Ecompboard—anticipated launch of the Board's website portal
- Update on Board's plenary review of Chapter 438 administrative rules of practice and procedure
  - Abigail L. Herman

12:00-1:15 LUNCH (on your own)

### 1:15-2:15 What's Age Got to Do with It?

- Impressions from newer attorneys and the challenges when dealing with an experienced attorney
- Practical lessons from experienced attorneys including what we wish the newer attorneys knew
- Managing your law practice—tips on managing your client, providing effective representation, and deposition requests and strategies
- Picking your battles
  - Martin L. Alvey
  - Spencer D. Kelly
  - Robert I. Radler
  - Elaine Schooler

## **SCHEDULE** (cont.)

# 2:30-3:30 ¿Se Habla Espanol? Representing Non-English Speakers in Workers' Comp Cases

- The Spanish speaking experience—common problems faced by Spanish speaking clients in the Workers' Compensation System and how those problems can be addressed
- Confronting and overcoming cultural and language barriers
- Beyond Spanish speakers to other diverse cultures developing an understanding of your clients' cultures
- Your own expertise is not enough—educating other attorneys, experts and judges in nuances of cultural differences to help win cases
  - Nicole M. Bockelman
  - Cheryl F. Coon

# 3:30–4:15 Penalties, Attorney Fees, Sanctions, and Costs

- Availability at the Board and Department
- Burden of proof
- Amounts
- Cost bill procedures
  - Rodger M. Hepburn
  - Robert S. Kinney

4:15 p.m. ADJOURN

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Eugene – 10/5/12 Replay 8:30 a.m. Harrang Long Gary & Rudnick PC 360 East 10th Avenue, Ste. 300

Portland – 10/17/12 Replay 9:00 a.m. Oregon Law Institute Gus J. Solomon Courthouse 620 SW Main Street, Ste. 706

### Questions?

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### REGISTRATION / ORDER FORM

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