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2015 ANNUAL MEETING
July 25 - August 1, 2015



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**SOON TO BE RELEASED... *The New FDCC
Publication***

We do not have a name for the electronic publication and we seek the input of all FDCC members in coming up with a name. [\[Click here for more information\]](#)

Local Meeting
Project



Upcoming Local Meetings

April 16, 2015

Denver, CO

Hosted by Amy Miletich

April 29, 2015

Phoenix, AZ

Hosted by Lori Berke

Register Now

[Joint Law Firm](#)

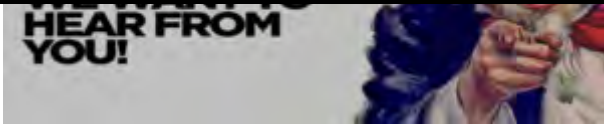
[Management Conference](#)

May 13-15, 2015 - The

Conrad - Chicago, IL

[Litigation Management](#)

[College & Grad Program](#)



Submit entries to mstreeper@thefederation.org by June 1, 2015

The new publication name will be announced at the Annual Meeting in Banff. The winner will receive a \$200 Gift Certificate.



THE CONRAD IN CHICAGO - May 13-15, 2015

The FDCC and IADC are joining forces to host the upcoming Law Firm Management Conference: Turn and Face the Strange: Time to Focus on What Matters. This conference will help you and your firm achieve greater success during these very interesting and evolving times in our profession. You will hear from **seven** Presidents/ Past Presidents of FDCC, IADC, or DRI; **four** Members/Past Members of the Board of Directors of FDCC, IADC, or DRI; leading in-house counsel from *Altec, Inc., Constellation Brands, Georgia-Pacific, LLC, Meadowbrook Insurance Group, Mitsui Sumitomo Marine Management USA, Inc., and State Farm*; and our valued sponsors *Altep, Crystal & Company, Exponent, Habif, Arogeti & Wynne, LLP, and United Lex*.

The program is designed to assist those responsible for the management of their law firms, but it will also provide invaluable guidance to others simply interested in what the future may hold for our profession. We also encourage firms to send more than one attendee because the implementation of any significant change to your firm will require the buy-in of the firm as a whole.

The cost for this two day program is only \$695 for registration. If, however, you send two or more attendees to the conference – registration will only cost \$595 per attendee. Please register electronically at www.thefederation.org. To make hotel reservations at The Conrad, [please click here](#). If you have any questions or would like more information about this conference, please contact Marty Streeper at mstreeper@thefederation.org.

Save the Date

Corporate Counsel Symposium

September 28-30, 2015 - The Ritz, New Orleans, LA

Insurance Industry Symposium

October 21-23, 2015 - New York Athletic Club - New York, NY

Deposition Boot Camp

Click on the location of your choice to register for 2015 Boot Camps:

[April 16-17, 2015 - Denver](#)

[June 8-9, 2015 - New Orleans](#)

Committee and Section Interest?

I am including this quick note to alert you to an email you will be receiving in the next few days. The Committee and Section appointment process is starting to begin in earnest and it's important that I learn from you what you want to do! We will be sending the email inviting each of you to indicate the areas in which you want to get or stay involved in the FDCC.

I continue to be interested in hearing from you about other ideas or projects you would like to be involved in or think the FDCC should pursue.

Finally, I would like your help in discovering our untapped talent. We have a large number of new members and



The FDCC proudly announces this year's LMC & Graduate Programs, which are being held from June 7-11, 2015 at the Emory University Conference Center in Atlanta. Here is a summary that will help describe the LMC/Grad experience:

- Unique five-day learning experience for claims professionals
- The program immerses students in a college-like atmosphere
- Relevant and challenging activities that teach students about themselves and how to be more effective in their jobs
- Graduate School offers higher level or intense training for claims professionals with over 15 years of experience
- Programs are social and fun as well as educational
- Networking opportunities to learn from professionals from all over the country

LMC/GRAD Registration Fees:

The early registration fee is \$2220 which covers \$1595 for tuition and meals and \$625 for lodging. The total covers all educational sessions, four nights at Emory University Conference Center from June 7-11, all meals and snacks (except Students' Night Out), parking, and receptions. After April 15, 2015, the registration fee is \$2320 which covers \$1695 for tuition and meals; and \$625 for the hotel.

Companies sending five or more students qualify for a \$100 per student discount.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS *(Since last newsletter)*

Patrick D. Cloud - *Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen*, Edwardsville, IL

Robert E. Dapper, Jr. - *Dapper, Baldasare, Benson, Behling & Kane, P.C.*, Pittsburgh, PA

Jennifer D. Eubanks - *Canal Insurance Company*, Greenville, SC

Andrew P. Karamouzis - *Moran Karamouzis LLP*, Rockville, NY

John David Lackey - *Paul & Lackey, P.C.*, Tulsa, OK

Thomas J. Lederer - *Lederer*, Vienna, Austria

Amy C. Mariani - *Fitzhugh & Mariani LLP*, Boston, MA

W. Thomas McBride - *Delany McBride*, Woodbury, NJ

more involved with a little encouragement from active members. Please let me know who we should be asking to help.

Oh yeah, and happy Spring – finally. The inch of snow in Greenville this winter shut us down for several days!

Steve Farrar
FDCC President-Elect

In The News



Michele Ballard Miller, *Miller Law Group*, San Francisco, CA, was recently featured in the Daily Journal, a newspaper specializing in legal news in the State of California. [\[read article\]](#)

Winter Meeting Winners

GOLF

John Peer (*Longest Drive Senior*); **Beth**

McMillan (*Long Drive Ladies*); **Johnny**

Sarber (*Longest Drive*); **Mike Schroder**, **Dan**

Balmert, **Drew Sinor**, & **Bruce Parkerson** (*Closest to Pins*)

FUN RUN

Seth Gausnell (*Men*); **Ilene Jaroslaw** (*Ladies*)

NEW MEMBER VISA

LaShawnda Jackson

FOUNDATION RAFFLE

Jim and Deb Varner

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Publications

Anthony Perotto - *NCTM Studio Legale LLP*, Milano, Italy
David F. Root - *Carlock, Copeland & Stair, LLP*, Atlanta, GA
John Parker Sweeney - *Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP*, Washington, DC
Alonzo D. Washington, *Flaherty Sensabaugh Bonasso PLLC*, Morgantown, WV
Mark S. Yagerman - *Smith Mazure*, New York, NY
Gregory S. Young - *Hinkle Law Firm LLC*, Wichita, KS

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