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From the President



Incredible! That's really the best I can say about the Hotel Coronado meeting, program, and weather. We were very blessed to have fantastic weather for the meeting and a huge crowd. Many thanks to Bob and Erin Christie and Ned

Currie for all they did to make San Diego a special trip. Also Marty Streeper, Mike Streeper, Susan Coone, Mary Nell O'Dowd, and Sarah Jeffcoat all worked long and hard work before, during, and after the meeting and they deserve the appreciation of all of us.

With the Hotel Del in our rearview mirror, it is my sincere hope that you start planning on going to Charlevoix, Quebec in July for what should be another amazing meeting. Mike and Tricia Glascott and Brett Preston have been working tirelessly to prepare for our meeting at La Malbaie and it promises to be fantastic.

You will see elsewhere in this newsletter an announcement of Victor Anderson and Dan Herling winning FDCC Connect awards in San Diego. FDCC



FDCC DEPOSITION BOOT CAMPS

The next Federation Deposition Boot Camp will be held in San Francisco on **April 4 - 5, 2016** at *Sedgwick LLP*. Your associates will learn all the aspects of taking and defending a deposition and will participate in three mock depositions to use the new skills they have learned. This is a great opportunity for them to learn and grow as young lawyers. Besides hands-on experience, participants will receive the Deposition Boot Camp Manual and make many contacts which will contribute to them becoming a better

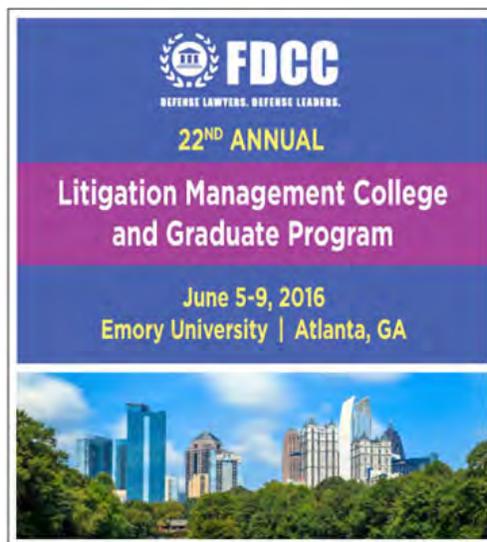
to other members. Both Victor and Dan have done an exemplary job of forwarding work to other Federation members and it's important we recognize their efforts. Please think about Federation members when you need to make a referral.

Finally, but certainly not least, at The Del I was proud to announce that Don Myles has placed his name in the hat to be considered for Secretary/Treasurer at the summer meeting. Don has served in nearly every role in the FDCC and is superbly qualified to move into the officer's position for the Federation. Along those lines, it is time to start thinking about running for a Board of Director's seat and I hope you will consider running, if interested.

All my best.



Get Your Competitors' Clients to LOVE YOU:



Attention FDCC Members:

Now in its 22nd year, we know the [FDCC Litigation Management College](#), and the [Litigation Management College Graduate Program](#), in its 13th year, provide the

NEXT BOOT CAMP

June 13-14, 2016

Nutter, McClennen
& Fish LLP
Boston, MA

Faculty

Elizabeth F. Lorell
Andrew B. Johnson
Joanne T. Blackburn
Jennifer E. Johnsen
Robert E. Cooper
Seth Gausnell

[Click here](#) for the brochure.

APRIL 2016 WEBINAR

Our next webinar will be of high interest to our entire Membership, whether you are in-house with a legal department or are outside counsel with a law firm. We will tackle the tremendously important and topical issues raised by the many recent breaches of cybersecurity. Join us on **April 6, 2016** at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time for this dynamite webinar, entitled: "**Cybersecurity: Protecting Your Clients and Your Firm In A Dangerous World.**" We know that hackers from around the globe are working around the clock to breach the computer systems of American companies, including defense contractors, utility providers, movie studios, small businesses, and law firms. Can they crack into your

give a call to all of your insurance industry contacts who might either want to attend one of the LMC programs or who might be able to send some of their colleagues. (This is a great opportunity to promote yourself as well.)

Please see the sample letter below and program brochures to help you get started. Please modify the letter as you wish, depending on the LMC or the LMC Graduate programs you are promoting, and send it out as soon as possible.

Dear _____:

I would like to let you know about the BEST litigation management training program available: the FDCC's 22nd Annual Litigation Management College, which will be held at Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia, from June 5-9, 2016. A copy of the LMC Brochure is attached. Here's what the program will do for you or your colleagues:

1. Hone Skills Immediately
2. Learn Key Substance
3. Boost Efficiency and Productivity
4. Increase Your Company's Profitability

This one-of-a-kind program receives rave reviews: "LMC is perfect for claims adjusters looking to hone their litigation management skills. I valued my time at the conference, and look forward to applying the lessons learned to improve my day-to-day claims handling."

Management will be amazed at the gains you and your colleagues will show upon returning from this program. I will be in touch with you shortly to answer any questions you might have or please call me to find out more.

Very truly yours,

This year's LMC and LMC Grad Program promises to be great and anyone working in claims or litigation management is sure to benefit from these **best in class** programs. Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you in June at Emory.

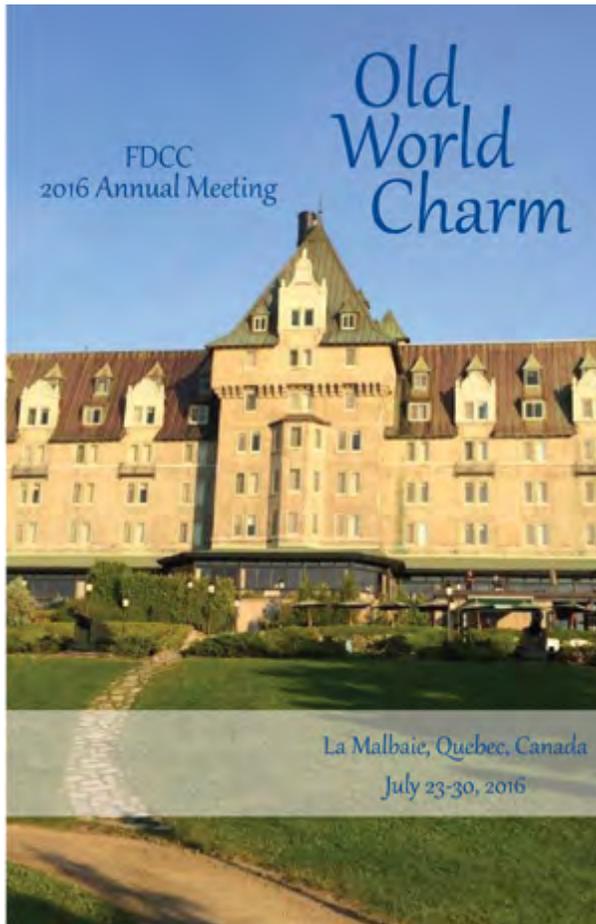
already done so. If they steal your clients' personal information, are you liable? What are the damages and are they insurable? How can you prevent this from happening, and how can you pick up the pieces if it has already happened? As always, the Federation has assembled a stellar panel of attorneys to discuss and answer these questions. We will hear from **Kate Browne, Esq.**, of *Swiss Re*, New York, New York; **Gena L. Sluga, Esq.**, a partner at *Christian, Dichter and Sluga*, Phoenix, Arizona and **Alan S. Rutkin, Esq.**, a partner at *Rivkin Radler*, Uniondale, New York. Watch for our e-mails and [sign up early](#) for this one, you won't want to miss it!



Make Plans Now to Attend the 13th Annual FDCC Corporate Counsel Symposium!

**September 18-20, 2016
Philadelphia,
Pennsylvania**

The Federation of Defense & Corporate Counsel's 13th Annual Corporate Counsel Symposium (CCS) will be held on September 18-20,



Congratulations to Bob and Erin Christie and Ned Currie on a marvelous Winter Meeting. We had great fun with our Federation friends at The Del and we expect to continue the good times this summer during our Annual Meeting at the Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu in Charlevoix, Quebec.

The expanded 27-hole golf course will delight you, whether hitting balls or just stopping by the clubhouse for lunch with a view. We will have pools inside and out, tennis, volleyball, and a world class casino just across the driveway from the Fairmont. We will hike, canoe, kayak, and picnic at the nearby National Park, Haute Gorges. Horseback riding in the mountains and on the beach will be superb.

Our program, entitled “Winners, Losers and Lawyers,” will have something for the whole family, with keynote

The theme for this year's CCS is the “21st Century Practice of In-house Counsel: A Look Ahead.”

In past years, we have had keynote speakers such as Ben Heinemann, Judge Andrew Napolitano, and in 2012 when we were in Philadelphia last, co-keynote speakers were Governor Ed Rendell and Reince Priebus, chairmen of the Democratic and Republican parties, respectively. As we are now in another election year, we will be bringing you speakers who have their pulse on this year's presidential campaign. The presidential election will be a mere six weeks away so you can anticipate a lively and informative presentation.

We will have engaging and entertaining panels of in-house counsel from both small and large US corporations who will address such issues as law department performance via metrics and analytics, data privacy and cybersecurity, and governmental investigations, the *Yates Memo*, what impact if any, has it had on the Department of Justice's prosecution of individuals. In a special Sunday afternoon session, we will learn from members of the rules advisory committee about how federal district courts are implementing the most recent amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

To minimize your time out of the office, this year's CCS will go from Sunday afternoon to

in the air. Our meeting will end Friday night with a dinner dance featuring the fabulous music of "1945."

Please join us for our 2016 Annual Meeting in Charlevoix, Quebec.

Convention Chairs,
Mike and Tricia Glascott

FDCC Members:

We are looking forward to a great meeting this summer in La Malbaie, Quebec. Our Annual and Winter Meetings afford us a great opportunity to get to know each other better. One way we



would like to do that this summer is by, in the lead-up to one of our morning plenaries, displaying "Views of the FDCC" pictures of members' office and/or home views—what each of us see when we are at home or at work. We will not attribute pictures to anyone, we will just display the pictures without any identifying information (though, of course, some of us may be able to tell who took certain pictures by virtue of what they depict).

If you would like to participate in this project, please take a picture or two with your phone and email them to [Mike Johnson](#), who has kindly agreed to coordinate this effort.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Brett Preston
Program Chair

Lost Treasures

This is a true story. I was recently giving a talk on alternative dispute resolution at a meeting of the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts. During the question and answer period, one attendee asked: "I know you

edge information to provide several takeaways designed to help reduce and/or prevent corporate risk. Many attendees of past Corporate Counsel Symposiums have remarked how they and their clients have been the beneficiaries from knowledge gained at a CCS.

As such, we cordially invite you to this year's Corporate Counsel Symposium. Registration fees for in-house counsel attending this year's CCS will be waived. Registration will be open soon on the [FDCC website](#). For more information, contact [Marty Streeper](#).



Congratulations to **Victor Anderson** and **Dan Herling** for receiving the FDCC Connect award at the recent Winter Meeting at The Del. To nominate someone for the FDCC Connect Award, members should contact [John Mitchell](#) or [Joe Fasi](#)



**FRIENDS &
FAMILY**

Masters Program?" I was taken aback because the questioner was not an FDCC member and didn't appear to be a stalker. Nonetheless, I talked about the FDCC and provided the background of the ADR Masters, which was launched by then-president Steve Barney in 2008. Steve asked me to drive an initiative designed to provide attorneys with practical tools to become more effective in the mediation process. With the help of a tremendous group of FDCC members, we put together a three-hour plenary program for the 2009 FDCC Winter Meeting on Kauai, Hawaii. We also prepared a 2 1/2 hour ADR Masters DVD that included simulations of various mediation challenges in the context of a hypothetical case, as well as expert practical advice on how to handle the problems as they arise in mediations. After I provided this answer at the WBA event, everyone in the room said they wanted a copy of the DVD, and we have provided them. How many of you knew about the ADR Master DVD? Is it a lost treasure, like the work product from many FDCC CLEs and projects? The reality is that the "education" component of our FDCC mission is alive and well. To add value to your FDCC membership, check it out. On our website, under "Resources," you will find an archive of our FDCC CLE program materials—from our most recent meeting at The Del going all the way back to 2004. Or you can simply [click here](#). It's a true treasure trove of excellent papers on a variety of relevant topics. Check them out. For projects like the ADR Masters Program, we are planning to revamp our FDCC website and include a section that lists our major projects and what materials are available from the FDCC. That's another way to let you know that the FDCC is here to make you a better lawyer. Don't forget to check out the [Hot Cases](#), the [FDCC blog](#), and our [Legal Links](#)—all under the "Resources" tab. Or our [FDCC Insights](#), [Federation Flyer](#), [FDCC e-Newsletter](#), and our [Substantive Section Newsletters](#)—all under the "Publications" tab on our website. It's all there. Take the time to learn. Beats reruns of [Modern Family](#).

Tim Pratt



Matt Cairns has, following in the footsteps of his neighbor and FDCC Past President, **Ed Kaplan**, been elected Chair of the Hopkinton, New Hampshire School Board.

NEW MEMBERS (Since last newsletter)

Caroline J. Berdzik
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AJC Consulting: [Allan Campo](#) and [Stuart Simon](#)

Global Legal Discovery: Jared Andrus and [Manny Kaloyannides](#)

Habif, Arogeti & Wynne, LLP: [Howard Zandman](#) and [Theodore Brown](#)

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HELP! FDCC – Who Are We?

As a Vice-Chair of both the Law Practice Management Section and the Membership Development & Retention Committee, in San Diego, it dawned on me that in order for these bodies to best serve the FDCC, it would be very helpful to know our own make-up within the FDCC. For the LPM to offer the best programming for managing one's law practice, it would be beneficial for us to know our own demographics insofar as firm sizes among our members. After all, if the overwhelming majority of us are in, say, firms of 50 or more lawyers, then the more of the LPM programming needs to be crafted for that size firm. Likewise on the MDR side, if we are aggressively seeking new members who fit the FDCC criteria, then it would help the MDR Committee if we were able to tell prospective members the breakdown of our law-firm size demographics. Given this, LPM and MDR need your help so that we can continue to focus our efforts in the most beneficial manner. Please help us find out who we are by answering the following questions on this survey link, [click](#)

FDCC PUBLICATIONS

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Apr. 4 - 5, 2016
Deposition Boot Camp
 Sedgwick LLP
 San Francisco, California

June 5 - 9, 2016
**Litigation Management
College & Graduate
Program**
 Emory Conference Center
 Atlanta, Georgia

June 13 - 14, 2016
Deposition Boot Camp
 Nutter, McClennen
 & Fish LLP
 Boston, Massachusetts

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FDCC Annual Meeting
 Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu
 La Malbaie, Quebec

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