

**HEALTHCARE PRACTICE SECTION
THE FEDERATION OF CORPORATE & DEFENSE COUNSEL
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SUMMER 2012 ANNUAL MEETING IN WHISTLER, CANADA

Imagine snow capped mountains in the distance, gondolas to the mountain top, skiing, hiking, fishing, shopping, and many, many more fun activities. Make that a reality for you and your family – register now for FDCC’s annual meeting in Whistler Canada, July 28 – August 4, 2012. The Fairmont Chateau Whistler is a great location and convenient for numerous activities.

Join President and First Lady Mike and Jan Neil, Convention Chair Vicki Roberts and Program Chair Scott Kreamer for a fantastic CLE and fun event. You don’t even have to pack that tux – Friday evening’s dinner dance “Enchanted Forest” is non-black tie. You won’t want to miss key note speakers Terry McAuliffe, former Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and Dana Perino, former White House Press Secretary to President George Bush.

Expect day temperatures in the 80s and cool evenings. Fly into Vancouver and take a cab to the Whistler for a fare of \$289 one-way. If you plan to rent a car, self-parking at the hotel is \$30 per day and valet parking is \$35 per day. You can also use the Pacific Coach/ SkyLynx bus service for approximately \$137.00 roundtrip (Canadian dollars). For more information on Pacific Coach, call them at 1-800-66101725 or visit their web site at www.pacificcoach.com.

See the FDCC website and the Whistler brochure for more information.

The Healthcare Practice Section will be presenting a plenary session on the Patient Care Affordability Act a/k/a “Obama Care” on Wednesday morning, August 1. Our section meeting will follow on August 2 and will include discussions of anticipated litigation resulting from Obama Care. Learn how Obama Care could impact your clients, your firm, and you.

HealthCare Section Updates:

Members attending the Winter meeting in Phoenix discussed the desired format for future HealthCare Section meetings. It was the general feeling that members have ample opportunities for CLE and would prefer to have a Section meeting formatted to allow for meaningful exchanges of thoughts and ideas. We will strive to have at least a portion of our Section meetings in the future devoted to that purpose. A list of HealthCare Section Members is attached for your use in communicating with other section members, allowing you to take advantage of the collective knowledge of our group.

Please encourage other FDCC members to join and become active with the HealthCare Section and consider your colleagues and clients for FDCC membership. Remember, our Section has an obligation to nominate two candidates per year for membership. So, if you are nominating someone, be sure to let Dan McCune and FDCC know to credit that nomination toward our section. If you have questions about FDCC membership criteria, information is provided at

www.thefederation.org or contact any officer or board member for information on membership criteria.

Have you heard about that new case dealing with HealthCare issues? Send Senith Tipton (stipton@wilkinstipton.com) information about any case you think would be of interest to our members.

OTHER OPPORTUNITES

FDCC Litigation Management College and Graduate Program - June 10 - 14, 2012, Emory University Conference Center, Atlanta, Georgia. A great opportunity for you to touch base with your insurance clients and remind them of this excellent training opportunity for claim professionals. This hands on workshop provides training and educational opportunities to experienced claim professionals and deals with topics such as case evaluations, budgets, negotiation skills and depositions. Each attendee will participate in a mock deposition with training and feedback provided by skilled juror consultants. This is an opportunity for you to talk with your clients and let them know you are an FDCC member, what that means, and give them exposure to FDCC educational opportunities.

2013 WINTER MEETING – SAN ANTONIO, TX

Time really does pass quickly and 2013 and the FDCC Winter meeting will be here before you know it! Make plans now to join us in San Antonio Texas at the Westin La Cantera Resort March 2 – 9, 2013. You won't be disappointed!

PUBLICATIONS

Each section has an obligation to have at least one article published annually in The Quarterly. Take that summary judgment brief or paper you presented and turn it into a scholarly article for The Quarterly – and be sure to let Marty Streeper know you are submitting it on behalf of the Healthcare Practice Section.

LET YOUR COLLEAGUES KNOW YOU ARE AN FDCC MEMBER

Remember, you were selected, after careful consideration, to be a member of FDCC. Let your colleagues and clients know of this accomplishment by putting the FDCC logo on your website.

SUGGESTIONS

We want to hear from members of the Healthcare Practice Section. Please feel free to contact your Section Chair or Vice Chairs with any suggestions for our Section.

See you in Whistler!

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