



# FDCC

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An organization of distinguished defense and corporate counsel dedicated to knowledge, justice, and fellowship.

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### **FDCC DEPOSITION BOOT CAMPS**

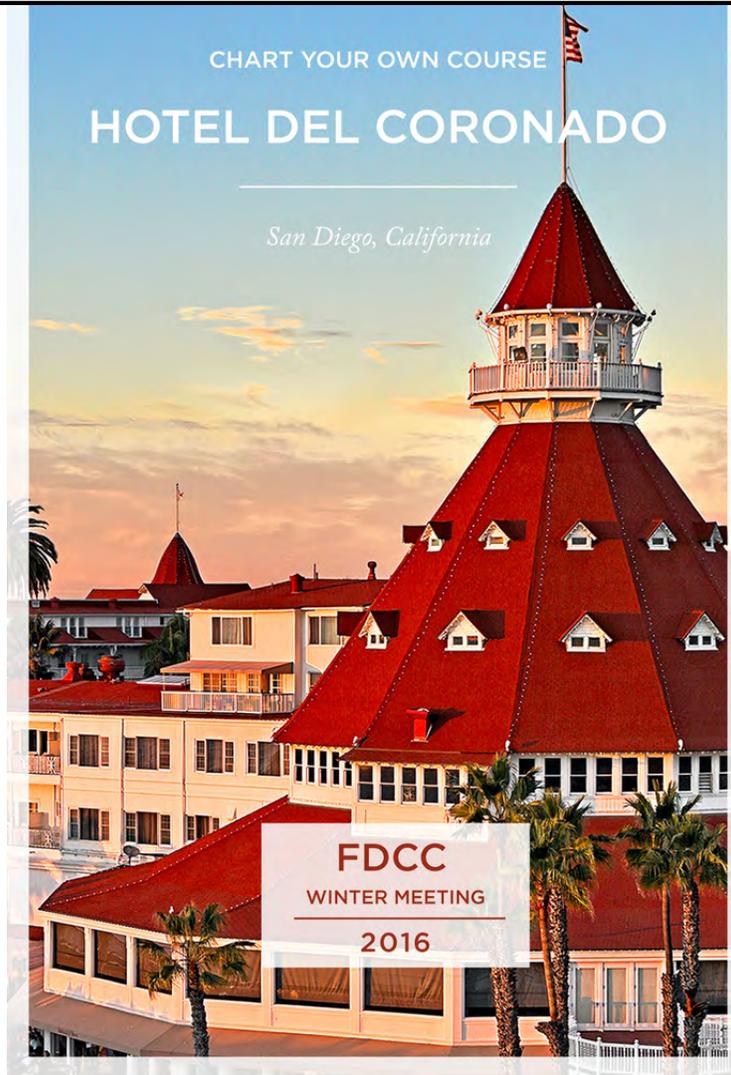
Led by an experienced faculty, young lawyers will have the unique opportunity to get “basic training” and advanced instruction for all aspects of taking and defending depositions when they attend one of the Federation’s two day Deposition Boot Camps. This year’s programs will be:

**December 7-8, 2015**

*Hawkins Parnell Thackson &  
Young LLP  
Atlanta, GA*

**Faculty**

Joseph P. H. Babington  
Margaret F. “Peggy” Ward  
Heidi G. Goebel  
Evelyn F. Davis  
J.R. Murphy



## Why You Should Attend the 2016 FDCC Winter Meeting February 28 – March 4 in San Diego

Whether a lawyer, banker, or candlestick maker, there are certain emotions and traits that we experience on our journey through life. Join us for this unique plenary session based upon the TED Talks® format by our five speakers, one of whom is a highly decorated United States war veteran, Rear Admiral Ray Smith, USN (Ret.), who each will offer an intensive talk on determination, balance, integrity, hope, and leadership.

Rear Admiral Ray Smith, USN (Ret.) will join FDCC members, Victor Anderson, Elizabeth Lorell, Robert Biggs, and Lauren Curtis, to lead our Ned Talks segment of the program.

### San Francisco, CA

#### Faculty

Victor R. Anderson, III  
Andrew B. "Andy" Johnson  
Joyce C. Wang  
Tiffany M. Alexander  
Joseph M. Guillot  
Seetal Tejura

### June 13-14, 2016

Nutter, McClennen  
& Fish LLP

### Boston, MA

#### Faculty

Elizabeth F. Lorell  
Jane A. North  
Joanne T. Blackburn  
Jennifer E. Johnsen  
Robert E. Cooper  
Seth Gausnell

[Click here](#) for the brochure  
and to register online.



## FDCC FOUNDATION

With football season in full swing, let me be a cheerleader for the Foundation and its great work. I hope you have the "spirit" of giving and, with your donations; help the Foundation accomplish its "National Championship" goals! To donate, [click here](#).

More information is available in the 2015 Foundation Annual report. It was sent earlier this month via e-mail. It contained a trove of information about the work of YOUR Foundation. I hope your team (baseball or football) has been winning – unless they are playing mine – and I sincerely hope you found the time to read the Annual Report when it arrived in your inbox. Without you, the Foundation cannot continue to operate. Without

SEAL training, where he achieved the highest graduation rate in the history of the school. In addition to serving as Executive Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Smith served as Commanding Officer of SEAL Delivery Team ONE. During Operation Desert Storm, his force successfully completed 270 combat missions. Between 1992 and 1996, Admiral Smith commanded the entire SEAL force of 2300. He ultimately became Deputy Commander in Chief of the 47,000 United States Special Operations Forces. Admiral Smith's awards include the Defense Distinguished and Superior Service medals, five Legion of Merit awards, and the Bronze Star and Navy Commendation Medal (4 awards) with V's.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the meeting.

### President's Thoughts



Many Past Federation Presidents have provided me with wise counsel since it became apparent that I would one day serve in the President's role I occupy now. Each time they do, I marvel not only at their wisdom but the devotion they

continue to show for the FDCC years – and in some instances, MANY years, after leaving the top position. More than one has told me that I should be introducing our leaders so the entire membership knows more about them. Consequently, I will start by making certain you know Mills Gallivan our President-Elect.

Mills' resume in and outside of the Federation is incredible. He is a highly regarded attorney and very successful mediator. He has been served as President of the South Carolina Defense Trial Attorneys Association, been active in DRI, and his contributions to the FDCC are already enormous. More importantly than what he has already contributed is what he is in the process of planning and implementing for his Presidential year. I won't steal his thunder but trust me when I say that he is going to take the FDCC to new heights (and, no that is not a reference to his summer meeting being in Switzerland in 2017).

year.

Lewis F. Collins, Jr.

### MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



**Lana A. Olson**, *Lightfoot Franklin & White LLC* in Birmingham, AL, was elected as one of four new National Directors by the DRI Board of Directors at the DRI Annual Meeting recently held in Washington, D.C. Olson will serve a three year term. Lana, who is the outgoing Chair of the Women in the Law Committee, was also awarded the Davis Carr Outstanding Committee Chair Award at the DRI Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. In the past, Lana has served as Chair of DRI's "Sharing Success" Women's Seminar (2011), Toxic Tort and Environmental Law Seminar (2014), and Women in the Law Committee (2013-2015).



**Toyja Kelley**, *Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP*, Baltimore, MD, was elected 2nd Vice President by the DRI Board of

assist him in his planning and, more importantly, spend time with Carol Anne, his wife. Both Mills and Carol Anne will proudly tell you about their children and grandchildren. Carol Anne embodies every positive attribute one could want in a person and talking to her will lift your day – guaranteed.

Finally, a quick anecdote: as part of our service as officers, we become Board members of DRI. Laura Proctor, the President of DRI, invited each of the sister organizations to make a brief presentation about their respective organizations at the opening annual meeting plenary. While I was excited to talk to over 3,000 DRI members in the audience about the FDCC, I was more excited to have been standing shoulder to shoulder backstage with one of the keynote speakers, General Colin Powell, during the singing of the National Anthem. A lesson for us all: get involved and cool things happen.

Finally – go register for the winter meeting at the Hotel Del NOW – see you there.

Steve

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## THE BEST Claims Training Program

places Toyja on the presidential track for DRI. Toyja concentrates his practice in general commercial, construction, professional, product liability, business torts, and insurance coverage litigation in Maryland and the District of Columbia. He is a past chair of DRI's Diversity Committee where for a number of years he has helped organize the Diversity For Success Seminar and Corporate Expo.

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## NEW MEMBERS

*(Since last newsletter)*

**James V. Chin**  
*Clyde & Co US LLP*  
Atlanta, GA

**Keith W. McDaniel**  
*McCranie, Sistrunk, Anzelmo,  
Hardy, McDaniel & Welch  
LLC*  
Covington, LA

**Paul Posey**  
*Ascension Risk Services*  
St. Louis, MO

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## FDCC PUBLICATIONS

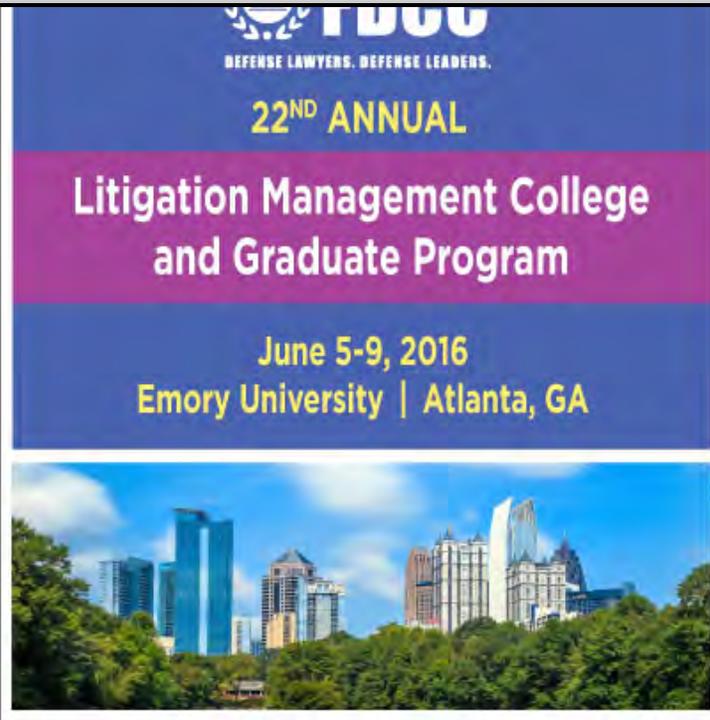
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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**2015**

**December 7-8, 2015**  
**Deposition Boot Camp**  
Hawkins Parnell Thackson &  
Young LLP



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## 2016

**Feb. 28 - Mar. 4, 2016**

**FDCC Winter Meeting**

Hotel Del Coronado  
San Diego, California

**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

**July 23 - 30, 2016**

**FDCC Annual Meeting**

Fairmont Le Manoir Richelieu  
La Malbaie, Quebec

results. Practice hands-on planning and communication to hone **negotiation** skills to get the deal you want. Learn all about **mediation** success strategies for listening, understanding motives and settling fairly and quickly. Become a **coverage** expert with laser-focused lessons on strategy. See **bad faith claims** coming by learning how to spot set-ups.

If you have a client or colleague who would benefit from this *Best in Class* program or for more information contact David Governo, Dean of Admissions, at 617-737-9047 or [dgoverno@governo.com](mailto:dgoverno@governo.com).

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## 2016 FDCC ANNUAL MEETING

La Malbaie, Quebec | July 23 - 30



The program for the 2016 Annual Meeting, which will take place just before the Summer Olympics and Presidential election, is set. The theme is “Winners, Losers, and Lawyers.” Many programs are intended to be of particular interest to young lawyers, women, and in-house members, while also being of general interest to all of our members. On Tuesday morning, we will hear from Ms. Nancy Hogshead-Makar, a three-time Olympic gold medalist, attorney, and tireless advocate for young, female athletes. On Friday (two days after the Democratic National Convention and a few weeks after the Republican National Convention), Dr. Larry Sabato, political pundit and a highly-accurate predictor of elections, will share his insights. (Bring your spouses, teens and older children to both of

house counsel and how outside counsel can help; the impact of ever-increasing client requirements on the attorney-client relationship; coverage issues facing defense, coverage, and in-house lawyers in catastrophic verdict situations; how to address high profile corporate “bad actors;” and, for the first time, a “Coverage Masters” session, which will supplement traditional programming. [Save the Date.](#)

Brett J. Preston  
Program Chair

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