

LECTURE PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023- Track 1

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. **Registration**

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Welcome by Florida Bar Workers' Compensation Section

Leopoldo (Leo) Garcia Jr., Attorney, Miami, Forum Co-Chair

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Compensability of Accidents and 120-day Rule and Waiver

Michael J. Winer, Attorney, Tampa

W. Rogers Turner, Attorney, Winter Park

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

The Employment Relationship, Employee Leasing Companies (PEO'S), Covered and Excluded Employment, Defenses to Claims and Fraud

Matthew J. Troy, Attorney, Orlando

Kenneth M. Hesser, Attorney, Ocala

10:45 a.m. – 11:10 a.m. **Sponsored Break**

11:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Average Weekly Wage, TTD and TPD

Rosemary B. Eure, Attorney, Sarasota

Ya'Sheaka Campbell Williams, Attorney, Tampa

12:10 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Sponsored Lunch

Philip R. Augustine, Attorney, Lake Mary, Section Chair

1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

Exposure, Occupational Disease, Repetitive Trauma and Heart/Lung Presumptions

Karen J. Cullen, Attorney, Orlando

Bryan R. Greenberg, Attorney, Port Charlotte

2:40 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Transition from Track II to Track I for First DCA Oral Arguments

3:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

First DCA Oral Arguments and Q and A

5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Sponsored Reception

Courtesy of Sponsoring LawFirms

LECTURE PROGRAM

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023 - Track 2

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Registration

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m.

Welcome by WCCP Association

Stacy L. Hosman, Executive Director, WCCP Association

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Current Trends in Workers' Compensation

Hon. David W. Langham, Deputy Chief Judge, Pensacola

Hon. Jacquelyn L. Newman, JCC, Tallahassee

Leopoldo Garcia Jr., Attorney, Miami

Kimberly J. Syfrett, Attorney, Pensacola

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Practicing with Professionalism in a Remote Environment

Moderator, Tracey Hyde, Attorney, Panama City

Ricardo Morales, Attorney, Miami

Joshua T. Higgins, Attorney, Fort Lauderdale

Hon. Margret G. Kerr, JCC, Miami

Hon. Brian J. Anthony, JCC, Tampa

10:45 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.

Sponsored Break

11:10 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Evidence Matters

Hon. Jeffrey I. Jacobs, JCC, Miami

Hon. Erik B. Grindal, JCC, Sarasota

Hon. Jonathan E. Walker, JCC, Pensacola

Hon. Iliana Forte, JCC, Ft. Lauderdale

12:10 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Sponsored Lunch

Philip R. Augustine, Attorney, Lake Mary, Section Chair

1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

A View from the Bench

Panel: Moderator, Hon. Richard S. Thompson (Retired), Attorney, Sarasota

Honorable Michael J. Ring, JCC, Fort Lauderdale

Honorable Ralph J. Humphries, JCC, Jacksonville

Honorable Jill E. Jacobs, JCC, Orlando

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Introductory Comments – Leopoldo (Leo) Garcia, Jr., Attorney, Miami, Forum Co-Chair

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Employer's Liability, Immunity, Aguilera, Misrepresentation and Defenses to Claims

Robert J. Rodriguez, Attorney, Coral Gables

David I Rickey, Attorney, Orlando

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Permanent Total Disability

Jeffrey M. Friedman, Attorney, Stuart

Thomas P. Vecchio, Attorney, Lakeland

10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Sponsored Break

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Attorney's Fees and Costs

Alexander Blanco, Attorney, Coral Gables

Nisha D. Waranch, Attorney, Winter Park

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch, Sponsor Appreciation & DoorPrizes

Stacy L. Hosman, Executive Director, WCCP

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Trial Practice and Procedures, Motions and Sanctions

Hon. Neal P. Pitts, JCC, Orlando

Andrew R. Borah, Attorney, Deerfield Beach

Kenneth E. Ehrlich, Attorney, Stuart, FL

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Medical Benefits, Managed Care and Rehabilitation Benefits

Marissa M. Hoffman, Attorney, Jupiter

Christopher J. Smith, Attorney, Tampa

3:30 p.m.

Adjournment

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Death and Dependency, Mental and Nervous Injuries

Neil A. Ambekar, Attorney, Orlando

Sean P. McCormack, Attorney, Orlando

9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Major Contributing Cause, Aggravation, Apportionment and Examination of Medical Experts

Sal A. Richardson, Attorney, Ft. Lauderdale

Ivan P. Morales, Attorney, Hialeah

Steven E. Weber D.O., Orlando Orthopaedic Center

10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Sponsored Break

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What about Workers' Compensation still Works?

P. Mark Glencross, MD; Director of Occupation Medicine; Tampa General Hospital

12:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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Mastering Medicare Recovery Claims – Staying Compliant to avoid “Double Damages”

Mark S. Popolizio, Attorney, North Miami Beach

Stuart F. Suskin, Mediator, Gainesville

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Technology & The Law: Protecting the Practice

Christopher L. McClure, Attorney, Miami

Audrey M. Castro, Attorney, Miami

3:30 p.m.

Adjournment

JUDICIAL BREAKOUT

Friday, April 21, 2023

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

JCC Breakfast with the First DCA

9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

View from the Appellate Perspective

William H. Rogner, Attorney, Orlando

Randall T. Porcher, Attorney, Tallahassee

9:55 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Emerging Trends of Evidence

Glen D. Wieland, Attorney, Orlando

Ramon Malca, Attorney, Miami

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Case Law Update

Karen M. Gilmartin, Attorney, Miami Lakes

Mark A. Touby, Attorney, Coral Gables