



CWCI Case Law Seminar – 2018 Update

Background: Many of the workers' compensation legislative reforms and regulations adopted by the state in recent years have raised issues, questions, and disputes that the courts have been asked to resolve. As a result, the California workers' compensation system continues to be reshaped and redefined by case law, which has become a critical element in defining how the system operates.

The growing volume of case law and the increased complexity of the issues have made it difficult for workers' compensation professionals to keep up with all the changes and devise appropriate strategies, defenses, and responses. The 2018 program represents the 20th installment in the CWCI case law seminar series, designed for attorneys, claims personnel, hearing reps, and others who are responsible for administering and defending claims.

This full-day seminar, presented by a panel of workers' compensation experts from both Northern and Southern California, will provide an update on recent trends in decisional law, and examine the practical impact that recent rulings and judicial interpretations of various courts have on benefit delivery and claim adjudication. **NEW THIS YEAR:** We are delighted to welcome veteran defense attorney Elizabeth Hudson as a member of our educational panel. The panelists will ensure that you will have a better understanding of how to use case law to effectively manage, negotiate, and defend claims.

The panelists will present alternate viewpoints on case law that will help those handling work injury cases develop appropriate responses and policies. You will have the opportunity to ask questions during the presentation. A popular addition to last year's session, we will again provide a full audio-visual presentation, allowing you to learn important case details, factual backgrounds, and other highlights for every case on the agenda. Your course materials will also include hyperlinks to many of the actual case decisions.

Seminar Format: The Institute will conduct the seminar at two locations: Monday, May 14 at the Hotel Nikko San Francisco and Wednesday, May 16 at the Grand Long Beach Event Center. The program (including speaker presentations and Q&A opportunity) will run from 9 a.m. until 3:30

p.m., with a 1-hour lunch at noon, plus mid-morning and mid-afternoon refreshment / email breaks. **NEW THIS YEAR:** You may choose from a selection of lunch entrées.

Participants: This seminar is appropriate for attorneys, claims administrators, hearing reps, and others with negotiating authority.

Materials: As we successfully debuted last year, **all registered attendees will be provided access to the complete electronic version of the course materials one week prior to each session, which you may print out or download to your laptop.** Power will be provided for laptops during the seminar. Remember to include your email address when you register, so that you can receive the link to the course materials as soon as it is available. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Attendees have the option of ordering a pre-printed copy of the course materials at a nominal charge. Attendees registered after May 9 are not guaranteed a printed syllabus.

Continuing Education Units: CWCI is pleased to offer continuing education credits in multiple professions. CWCI has obtained certification to offer 5.0 hours of "Advanced" Legal Specialization MCLE credits from the State Bar of California for this program. Also, the Institute will provide certificates of attendance upon completion of the program for submission to the Association of Hearing Representatives of California and for the verification of hours for those in need of credit for the California Department of Insurance workers' compensation claims adjuster certification requirements.

Cost: Tuition for the case law seminar covers the full-day program, the electronic syllabus, a Continental breakfast, a full lunch, and refreshments. Tuition is \$399, and regular employees of CWCI members receive a \$100 discount (see Page 4).

Space is limited, and registrations will be accepted in the order received, so register early. For quick & easy online registration, go to the Seminar area of our website, www.cwci.org/conferences.html, or fax or mail the attached registration form with payment information. All credit card charges will be processed via Authorize.net. For more information, call Fran Perry at (510) 251-9470.



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General Information: The CWCI 2018 California Workers' Comp Case Law seminar will be given on the following dates at these locations:

Monday, May 14, 2018

Hotel Nikko

222 Mason St., San Francisco
(415) 394-1111

Power strips available at this location

Located on Mason between Ellis & O'Farrell

- Take San Francisco-bound BART to Powell, and go 1 block north on Cyril Magnin St. to Ellis St.
- From the Bay Bridge, exit at Fremont St., left on Howard. Turn right on 5th St. and cross Market St. where it turns into Cyril Magnin St. Turn left on Ellis to Taylor, turn right at O'Farrell to Mason. Downtown Center Garage (O'Farrell & Mason), \$35. Hotel is across the street.
- From 101 take I-80 toward the Bay Bridge, take 7th St. exit and stay in the far right lane to Bryant. Turn right on Bryant then left at 5th St. and cross Market St. where it becomes Cyril Magnin St. Turn left on Ellis to Taylor, turn right at O'Farrell to Mason. Downtown Center Garage (O'Farrell & Mason), \$35. Hotel is across the street.

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

The Grand Long Beach Event Center

4101 East Willow St., Long Beach
(562) 426-0555

Power strips and free wi-fi available at this location

Just off Lakewood Blvd., 1 block south of I-405

- Take the 405 to Long Beach and exit south on Lakewood Blvd.
- Turn right on Willow St., then right on Grand Ave. The Grand Event Center is on the right. Parking in the Event Center Garage is free. Note: **Do Not Park at the Jewish Community Center.**

Attire: Business casual. **For your comfort, please dress in layers as the room may be cool.** Slacks with a sweater or jacket are highly recommended.

Registration: Pre-registration and prepayment are required. Enroll online by clicking [here](#). Registrations will be accepted in the order in which forms with payment are received, so register early. **Registered attendees will be provided with a link to the complete electronic version of the course materials one week prior to each session.** If you choose to pre-order a printed syllabus, it may be picked up at the registration desk. Registration is subject to space availability; registrations for which payment is received after May 9 and walk-ins may be wait-listed and admitted after 9 a.m. if space is available. Check-in and continuing education sign-ups begin at 8 a.m. The seminar will begin at 9 a.m. and adjourn by 3:30 p.m. Continental breakfast, full lunch, and beverage breaks are included.

Tax Deductibility of Expenses: See Treasury Reg. 1.162.5 Coughlin v. Comm., 203 F.2d.307.

Cancellations/Substitutions: The tuition (less a \$55 cancellation fee) may be refunded only if notice is submitted in writing, postmarked or faxed 10 calendar days prior to the program. However, another attendee may be substituted at any time. The link for seminar materials will be sent to registrants who are unable to attend and fail to meet the cancellation deadline.

Faculty: Our renowned faculty for the case law seminar includes outside counsel with experience from both the applicant and defense side, and CWCI's General Counsel:

Saul Allweiss, Attorney at Law

Law Offices of Allweiss & McMurtry, Tarzana

Richard Jacobsmeyer, Attorney at Law

Shaw, Jacobsmeyer, Crain & Claffey, Oakland

Elizabeth Hudson, Attorney at Law

Finnegan, Marks, Theofel & Desmond, San Francisco

Ellen Sims Langille, General Counsel

CWCI, Oakland



REGISTRATION FORM
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The fastest and easiest way to register for CWCI seminars is to enroll online. Simply click [here](#) for seminar information or to sign up using the online registration system. Alternatively, you may return this form, along with payment, by mail or fax as noted below.

“California Workers' Compensation Case Law: 2018 Update” Check date/location:

Hotel Nikko San Francisco, Monday, May 14 **Grand Long Beach Event Center, Wednesday, May 16**

Please Type or Print Clearly. You must include your email address in order to receive a link to the course materials.
 For additional registrants, please photocopy this form or attach a separate list.

	<u>Name of Attendee</u>	<u>Email Address (required)</u>
1)	_____	_____
2)	_____	_____
3)	_____	_____

Contact Person: _____ **Email:** _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Telephone: _____ **Fax:** _____

Lunch Entrée preference: **chicken** _____ **salmon** _____ **vegetarian** _____

If you have special dietary needs , please call Fran Perry at CWCI – (510) 251-9470.

NOTE: CWCI members are insurers licensed to write workers' compensation in California or self-insured employers who pay dues and assessments to CWCI. Only regular employees of member companies qualify for the member company rate. If you qualify, note your company code number (listed on Page 4) in the space below. All other registrants must pay standard tuition. Non-members who submit member tuition will not be registered unless the full \$399 tuition is received prior to the seminar. **ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE PREPAID.**

Registrations with credit card information may be submitted online from the Seminar page at www.cwci.org; faxed to (510) 763-1592; or mailed to CWCI, 1333 Broadway, Suite 510, Oakland, CA 94612.

Standard Tuition (non-member rate) \$399 x _____ = \$ _____

CWCI Member Regular Employee Rate **Company ID # (see Page 4)** \$299 x _____ = \$ _____

Electronic Syllabus (included) \$0.00 x _____ = \$ no charge

Pre-Printed Syllabus (additional charge) \$25 x _____ = \$ _____

GRAND TOTAL = \$ _____

Method of Payment (check one): Visa MasterCard American Express Check/Money Order

Cardholder's Name: _____

(Exact Name as it Appears on Credit Card)

Credit Card Account #: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Credit Card Billing Address: _____

(Must be the Billing Address Registered to the Credit Card)

City, State, ZIP: _____

Authorized Signature of Cardholder: _____



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CWCI Member Insurers		CWCI Associate Members (Self-Insured)	
Code	Company	Code	Company
21	AIG	22	Adventist Health
23	Alaska National Insurance Company	24	Albertsons' Companies
25	Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty	26	BETA Healthcare Group
27	AmTrust North America	28	California Joint Powers Insurance Authority
29	Applied Underwriters	30	CA State University Risk Mgmt Authority
31	Berkshire Hathaway Homestate Companies	32	Chevron Corporation
33	CHUBB	34	City and County of San Francisco
35	CNA	36	City of Los Angeles
37	CompWest Insurance Company	38	City of Torrance
39	Crum & Forster	40	Contra Costa County Risk Management
41	EMPLOYERS	42	Contra Costa County Schools Ins. Group
43	Everest National Insurance Company	44	Costco Wholesale
45	GUARD Insurance Companies	46	County of Alameda
47	The Hartford	48	County of Los Angeles
49	ICW Group	50	County of San Bernardino Risk Management
51	Liberty Mutual Insurance	52	County of Santa Clara Risk Management
53	Pacific Compensation Insurance Company	54	Dignity Health
55	Preferred Employers Insurance	56	Foster Farms
57	Republic Indemnity Company of America	58	Grimmway Farms
59	Sentry Insurance	60	Kaiser Permanente
61	State Compensation Insurance Fund	62	Marriott International, Inc.
63	State Farm Insurance Companies	64	North Bay Schools Insurance Authority
65	Travelers	66	Pacific Gas & Electric Company
67	XL America	68	Schools Insurance Authority
69	Zenith Insurance Company	70	Sempra Energy
71	Zurich North America	72	Shasta County Risk Management
		74	Shasta-Trinity Schools Insurance Group
		76	Southern California Edison
		78	Special District Risk Management Authority
		80	Sutter Health
		82	University of California
		84	The Walt Disney Company

ABOUT CWCI

Founded in 1964, the California Workers' Compensation Institute is a private, nonprofit organization working to improve the California workers' compensation system through research, education, information, and representation. Institute members include workers' compensation insurers, as well as public and private self-insured employers.