

**Background:** The California workers' compensation system is being constantly reshaped and redefined by case law, which has become a critical element in defining how the system operates. The growing volume of published appellate case law and even WCAB panel decisions, combined with the increased complexity of the issues, has made it difficult for workers' compensation professionals to keep up with all the changes and devise appropriate strategies, defenses, and responses. The 2021 program represents the 23<sup>rd</sup> installment in the CWCI case law seminar series, and is designed for attorneys, claims personnel, hearing reps, and others who are responsible for administering and defending for workers' compensation claims.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** CWCI is acting responsibly during this time of travel restrictions and health care advisories. To reduce the risk of spreading infection, this full-day seminar will be presented exclusively via live online video broadcast. As usual, the program will feature a panel of workers' compensation experts from both Northern and Southern California who will provide an update on recent trends in decisional law and examine the practical impact that new case law will have on benefit delivery and claim adjudication. We are pleased to welcome back leading defense attorneys Saul Allweiss and Jake Jacobsmeyer to our educational panel, as well as attorney Elizabeth Hudson who represents injured workers and who will provide practical insight from an applicant's attorney perspective. This unique combination of panelists will ensure that you gain not only a better understanding of how to use case law to effectively manage, negotiate, and defend claims -- but also what to expect from opposing counsel in litigated cases.

CWCI strives to present the most comprehensive review of recent case law available. The panelists will provide alternate viewpoints on case law that will help those handling work injury cases develop appropriate responses and policies. The session will include 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 the actual decisions. Seminar Format: Our full-day seminar for 2021 will be presented exclusively via live online video broadcast. The seminar program (including speaker presentations and Q&A opportunity) will be presented live on <u>Tuesday, May 18 from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.</u> <u>Pacific Time</u>, with a 1-hour break at noon, plus shorter mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks.

**Materials:** All registered attendees will be provided access to the complete electronic version of the course materials one week prior to each session, which may be printed out or downloaded to a computer. You will need to include your email address when you register so that you can receive the link to the course materials as soon as they are available. Attendees also have the option of ordering a pre-printed copy of the course materials at a nominal charge (*remember to provide your mailing address*). Attendees registered after May 11 are not guaranteed a printed syllabus.

**Faculty:** Our renowned faculty includes experienced litigators from both the applicant and defense side:

Saul Allweiss, Esq. Law Offices of Allweiss, McMurtry, & Mitchell, Tarzana

**Elizabeth Hudson, Esq.** Law Offices of Scot Shoemaker, San Francisco

Richard Jacobsmeyer, Esq. Shaw, Jacobsmeyer, Crain & Claffey, Walnut Creek Ellen Sims Langille, Esq.

CWCI General Counsel, Oakland

**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. Registered attendees who complete the program may also request certificates of attendance that may be submitted to the Association of Hearing Representatives of California or used to verify 5.0 hours of credit toward the California Dept. of Insurance workers' compensation claims adjuster certification requirements. **\*PARTICIPANTS MUST PROVIDE STATE BAR NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE) AND BE FULLY REGISTERED AT LEAST TWO DAYS PRIOR TO THE SESSION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE MCLE / CE CREDITS.** 



**Cost:** Tuition for the live broadcast of the case law seminar covers the full-day program and an electronic syllabus. A pre-printed syllabus is available for an additional \$35 charge. Tuition is \$289, and regular employees of CWCI member companies receive a \$100 discount (member codes are listed on Page 4). All credit card charges will be processed via Authorize.net. For more information, call Fran Perry at (510) 251-9470.

**Registration:** Pre-registration and prepayment are required. For quick & easy online registration, click <u>www.cwci.org/conferences.html</u>. You can also fax or mail the attached registration form with your payment information. Registrations will be accepted in the order received.

**IMPORTANT**: IN ORDER TO RECEIVE **MCLE / CE** CREDITS, ATTENDEES MUST BE FULLY REGISTERED AT LEAST TWO DAYS PRIOR TO THE SESSION, AND PROVIDE YOUR STATE BAR NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE) ON PAGE 3. PARTICIPATION WILL BE TRACKED ELECTRONICALLY FOR COMPLIANCE.

Each fully registered attendee will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Seminar Materials:** All registered attendees will be provided with a link to the complete electronic version of the course materials one week prior to live broadcast of the seminar. If you choose to also pre-order a printed syllabus, it will be mailed to you at the address provided in this section one week prior to the seminar.

To order the pre-printed materials via USPS Priority Mail, please provide your mailing address:

Name

Company

Street Address

City, State, ZIP

**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 (emailed, 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.



### **REGISTRATION FORM** California Workers' Compensation Case Law XXIII: 2021 Update

<u>The fastest and easiest way to register for CWCI seminars is to enroll online</u>. Simply click <u>here</u> 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 XXIII: 2021 Update"

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

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Telephone:		Fax:	

#### ATTORNEYS SEEKING MCLE CREDIT MUST PROVIDE STATE BAR NUMBER:

Only those persons who are fully registered for the seminar are eligible for MCLE / CE credits.

**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 tuition is received prior to the seminar. <u>ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE PREPAID</u>.

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

Standard Tuition (non-member rate)	<b>\$289</b> x	= \$
CWCI Member Regular Employee Rate Company ID # (see Page 4)	<b>\$189</b> x	= \$
Full Electronic Syllabus (included)	<b>\$0.00</b> x	= \$ <u>no charge</u>
Pre-Printed Syllabus (additional charge) (include mailing address on Pag		= \$ DTAL = \$
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Code	Company	Code	Company		
21	AIG	22	Albertsons'/Safeway		
23	Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty	24	BETA Healthcare Group		
25	AmTrust North America	26	California Joint Powers Insurance Authority		
27	AXA/XL	28	California State University Risk Management Authority		
29	Berkshire Hathaway Homestate Companies	30	Chevron Corporation		
31	CHUBB	32	City and County of San Francisco		
33	CNA Insurance	34	City of Los Angeles		
35	CompWest Insurance	36	City of Pasadena		
37	CopperPoint Insurance Companies	38	City of Torrance		
39	Crum & Forster	40	Contra Costa County Risk Management		
41	Employers Insurance Group	42	Costco Wholesale		
43	Everest Insurance	44	County of Los Angeles		
45	GUARD Insurance Companies	46	County of San Bernardino Risk Management		
47	The Hanover Insurance Group	48	County of Santa Clara Risk Management		
49	The Hartford Insurance Company	50	Dignity Health		
51	ICW Group	52	Disneyland Resort		
53	Liberty Mutual	54	East Bay Municipal Utility District		
55	North American Casualty Company	56	Grimmway Farms		
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