# **Perrin Conferences**

# ASBESTOS LITIGATION CONFERENCE: A NATIONAL OVERVIEW & OUTLOOK



September 8-10, 2014
Fairmont San Francisco Hotel
San Francisco, CA

## **Conference Chairs:**

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Esq., Chief Operating Officer/Senior Vice President Claims, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH John B. Manning, Esq., Manion Gaynor & Manning LLP, Boston, MA Rick Nemeroff, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, Dallas, TX Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

## Sunday, September 7, 2014

## 11:00 AM: Perrin Conferences Golf Outing (Located at the Presidio Golf Course)

Located just minutes from downtown San Francisco, the 18-hole Presidio Golf Course plays 6,500 yards of challenging golf, winding through beautiful Eucalyptus and Monterey Pine trees in The City's trademark hills.

**6:30 PM - 7:30 PM: Opening Networking Cocktail Reception** (Located at the Fairmont Hotel) Sponsored by: Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP, Motley Rice LLC and The Nemeroff Law Firm

## Monday, September 8, 2014

## 8:00 AM: Registration & Continental Breakfast

Sponsored by: O'Toole Fernandez Weiner Van Lieu LLC

## 8:30 AM: Welcome & Opening Remarks

Nina Lynn Caroselli, Esq., Chief Operating Officer/Senior Vice President Claims, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

John B. Manning, Esq., Manion Gaynor & Manning LLP, Boston, MA

Rick Nemeroff, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, Dallas, TX

Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

## 8:45 AM: National Trends Driving Asbestos Litigation

A panel discussion with industry leaders and experts from varying perspectives addressing current trends and dynamics impacting asbestos litigation.

Holly A. Harris, Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company, San Ramon, CA

William F. Mahoney, Esq., Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd., Chicago, IL

Michael S. Owen, AVP & Claims Counsel, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

Ryan Russell, Assistant Vice President, Assistant General Counsel – Reinsurance, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company, Novato, CA

**Jeffrey B. Simon, Esq.,** Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, Dallas, TX

# 9:45 AM: The Lung Cancer Phenomenon: Origins, Trends, Horizon, and Strategies Plaintiff and Defense Perspectives on The Re-Emergence of Lung Cancer Claims in Asbestos Litigation

- Sources of Lung Cancer Filings: Who, where and why now?
- Modern Causation Science and Strategies.
- Plaintiff and Defense Perspectives on Lung Cancer Trends.
- Impact on Corporate and Insurance Resources.
- Smoking and Warnings in Modern Culture.

**Allan Feingold, MD, FRCP(C), FCCP,** Medical Director, Occupational & Environmental Medicine, South Miami Hospital, Miami, FL

Marc S. Gaffrey, Esq., Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst & Doukas, L.L.P, New Brunswick, NJ Patrick N. Haines, Esq., Napoli Bern Ripka Shkolnik LLP, Edwardsville, IL Albert H. Parnell, Esq., Hawkins Parnell Thackston & Young LLP, Atlanta, GA David Weill, M.D., Professor of Medicine, Director, Center for Advanced Lung Disease, Stanford University Medical Center, Stanford, CA

#### 10:45 AM: Break

Sponsored by: Orrick, Herrington and Sutcliffe LLP

## 11:00 AM: Asbestos Exposure in Mergers, Acquisitions and Other Transactions

- Valuing Significant Cases Pending at Deal Time.
- Litigation Trend Data/Forecasting Approaches.
- Valuation of Historical Insurance Assets.
- Risk Transfer Considerations.

James F. Dorion, Global Practice Leader, Complex Liability Consulting, Marsh Risk Consulting, Chicago, IL

Mark Newton, CPA, ABC, CFF, Forensic Accountant, COO, Hagen, Streiff, Newton & Oshiro, Accountants, PC, Seattle, WA

Mary Elizabeth Stern, Vice President, NERA Economic Consulting, White Plains, NY

11:45 AM: Lunch (On Your Own)

## 1:15 PM: Impact by other Mass Tort Law in Asbestos Litigation

C. Michael Evert, Jr., Esq., Evert Weathersby Houff, Atlanta, GA

Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Jeffrey B. Simon, Esq., Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, Dallas, TX

Walter "W.G." Watkins, Jr., Esq., Forman Perry Watkins Krutz & Tardy LLP, Jackson, MS

## 2:15 PM: Hot Jurisdictional Updates: Delaware, Illinois and Pennsylvania

Laurence H. Brown, Esq., Brookman, Rosenberg, Brown & Sandler, Philadelphia, PA Randy L. Gori, Esq., Gori Julian & Associates, P.C., Edwardsville, IL Tracey McDevitt Hagan, Esq., Reilly, Janiczek & McDevitt P.C., Philadelphia, PA Hon. Arnold L. New, Court of Common Pleas, Coordinating Judge, Complex Litigation Center – Philadelphia, PA

William D. Shultz, Jr., Esq., Kurowski Shultz LLC, Swansea, IL Hon. Stephen A. Stobbs, Circuit Court, Third Judicial Circuit, Madison County, IL Hon. Paul R. Wallace, Superior Court of Delaware, Wilmington, DE

## 3:00 PM: Hot Jurisdictional Updates: Louisiana and New York

Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Belluck & Fox, L.L.P., New York, NY Hon. Barbara Jaffe, Supreme Court of the State of New York, Civil Term, New York, NY

Rick Nemeroff, Esq., The Nemeroff Law Firm, Dallas, TX Steven R. Rosenblatt, Esq., Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney, Ltd., New York, NY

3:30 PM: Break

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## 3:45 PM: Asbestos Compensation: The Impact of Bankruptcy on the Tort System

- Overview of the Past/Current Efforts to Coordinate the Trust and Tort Compensation Systems.
- The Recent Garlock Ruling what is the impact for plaintiffs, defendants and insurers?
- Discovery, Statute of Limitations and other Evidentiary Issues.
- The Proper Allocation of Asbestos Compensation how are courts currently integrating trust exposures into tort proceedings?
- The FACT Act

Mark A. Behrens, Esq., Shook Hardy & Bacon L.L.P., Washington, DC

Mary Margaret Gay, Esq., Forman Perry Watkins Krutz & Tardy LLP, Jackson, MS

Mark D. Plevin, Esq., Crowell & Morning LLP, San Francisco, CA

Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Charles S. Siegel, Esq., Waters, Kraus & Paul, Dallas, TX

Linda Tatka, Claims Director-Asbestos, Fireman's Fund/Allianz Insurance Company, San Francisco, CA

## 4:30 PM: The Insurance Perspective on Today's Asbestos Litigation

A roundtable discussion with leading insurance professionals addressing today's critical challenges in asbestos litigation.

Moderator: Ingrid K. Campagne, Esq., Walsworth Franklin Bevins & McCall, LLP, San Francisco, CA

Moderator: John J. Kurowski, Esq., Kurowski Shultz LLC, Swansea, IL

Timothy M. Donlon, Vice President of Claims, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

Peter Fabriele, Complex Director, Mass Tort Claims, AIG, Jersey City, NJ

Mitchell W. Gibson, Vice President, Property & Casualty Business Management, Swiss Re America Holding Corporation, Armonk, NY

David R. Gold, Senior Vice President, Resolute Management, Inc., Boston, MA

Cindy Koehler, Esq., Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, Liberty Mutual Group, Boston, MA

Frederick Schaefer, Associate Vice President, Nationwide Indemnity Company, Wausau, WI Linda Tatka, Claims Director-Asbestos, Fireman's Fund/Allianz Insurance Company, San Francisco, CA

5:30 PM: Adjourn

## 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception

(Located at the law office of Manion Gaynor & Manning LLP, 201 Spear Street, 18<sup>th</sup> Floor) Sponsored by: Manion Gaynor & Manning LLP

## Tuesday, September 9, 2014

#### 8:00 AM: Continental Breakfast

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## 8:30 AM: Recent Developments in the Last Thirty Days

Christopher M. Placitella, Esq., Cohen, Placitella & Roth, Red Bank, NJ Loreto P. Rufo, Esq., Rufo Associates, PA, Hockessin, DE

#### 9:00 AM: Mesothelioma

- Modern Science of Mesothelioma Diagnosis.
- The Meaning and Relevance of Cell Type.
- Current Perspectives on the "Chrysotile Defense" and Idiopathic Mesothelioma.
- Advances in Mesothelioma Treatment.

Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Belluck & Fox, L.L.P., New York, NY

**Arnold R. Brody, Ph.D.,** Professor Emeritus, Department of Pathology, Tulane University Medical School, New Orleans, LA

David Egilman, MD, MPH, Clinical Professor, Department of Family Medicine, Brown University, Attleboro, MA

Michael Graham, M.D., Saint Louis University School of Medicine, Saint Louis, MO

John B. Manning, Esq., Manion Gaynor & Manning LLP, Boston, MA

**Jeffrey B. Simon, Esq., Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, Dallas, TX** 

Laura S. Welch, MD, Medical Director, CPWR: Center for Construction Research and Training, Silver Spring, MD

## 10:00 AM: Ethics: Product Identification in Asbestos Litigation

- Plaintiffs' Perspectives on Witness Preparation.
- Defendants' Perspectives on Fact Investigations.

Sarah R. Bagley, Esq., Carr Maloney P.C., Washington, DC

Angela C. Bullock, Esq., Bullock Campbell Bullock & Harris, PC, Houston, TX

Anne McGinness Kearse, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC

Philip O'Rourke, Esq., Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, New York, NY

## 11:00 AM: Break

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# 11:15 AM: Asbestos Bankruptcy: A Discussion of the Top Trends in Today's Chapter 11 Cases

- Legislative Update.
- Update on New Filings, Confirmations and Appeals Garlock, Bondex, W.R. Grace, Pittsburgh Corning, Flintkote, et al.
- An Examination of the Garlock Decision: estimation methodologies and legal liability under the bankruptcy code

- Will we see more Asbestos Bankruptcy Filings in 2014-2015?
- Impact on Underlying Asbestos Litigation from Discovery in Bankruptcy Cases.

Charles E. Bates, PhD, Chairman, Partner, Bates White LLC, Washington, D.C. Robert W. Phillips, Esq., Simmons Hanly Conroy LLC, Alton, IL Joseph F. Rice, Esq., Motley Rice LLC, Mt. Pleasant, SC James L. Stengel, Esq., Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe, New York, NY

12:15 PM: Lunch (On Your Own)

#### 12:15 PM: Women in Business Lunch

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Christy J. Benton, Esq., Associate General Counsel – Litigation, John Crane Inc., Chicago, IL Tracey McDevitt Hagan, Esq., Reilly, Janiczek & McDevitt P.C., Philadelphia, PA Katherine M. Steele, Esq., Williams Kastner, Seattle, WA Amanda Webber, Claims Specialist, Fireman's Fund/Allianz Insurance Company, San Francisco, CA

## 1:45 PM: Corporate Roundtable: In-House Perspectives on Asbestos Litigation

Moderator: Robert C. Mitchell, Esq., Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease LLP, Cincinnati, OH Mary Kate Campbell, Senior Counsel, Litigation, DuPont Legal, Wilmington, DE Nina Lynn Caroselli, Esq., Chief Operating Officer/Senior Vice President Claims, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH Holly A. Harris, Senior Counsel, Chevron Products Company, San Ramon, CA Paul Slater, Esq., Senior Counsel, General Electric Company, Fairfield, CT

## 2:30 PM: Mock Trial Exercise: Summary Arguments in Mesothelioma Case with Live Juror Feedback

Evaluate which Themes and Arguments are Most Powerful in Front of a Jury.

Brent M. Karren, Esq., Manion Gaynor & Manning LLP, San Francisco, CA Chris Panatier, Esq., Simon Greenstone Panatier Bartlett, PC, Dallas, TX Eric Rudich, Ph.D., Senior Litigation Consultant, Magna Legal Services, New York, NY

3:45 PM: Break

4:00 PM: Inside the Juror Room: Live Jury Deliberations

Eric Rudich, Ph.D., Senior Litigation Consultant, Magna Legal Services, New York, NY

5:00 PM: Adjourn

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (Located at the Fairmont Hotel)
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## Wednesday, September 10, 2014

#### 8:30 AM: Continental Breakfast

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## 9:00 AM: The Minimum Threshold Exposure

- Bystander Exposure.
- Take-Home Exposure.
- Childhood Exposure.
- Update: Daubert, Frye and "Each-And-Every-Fiber."
- Dose Reconstruction Techniques.
- Fiber Settling and Fiber Drift.

John P. Comerford, Esq., Lipsitz & Ponterio, LLC, Buffalo, NY
Curt Cutting, Esq., Horvitz & Levy LLP, Encino, CA
Matthew J. Fischer, Esq., Schiff Hardin LLP, Washington, DC
Jennifer Sahmel, MPH, SIB, CSP, Senior Managing Health Scientist, Cardno ChemRisk, Boulder, CO

9:45 AM: Break

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## 10:00 AM: The Evolution of Duty to Warn in Asbestos Litigation

- Breach Warranty in Asbestos Litigation.
- State of the Art, Mil Specs., O.S.H.A., Component Parts, and the Sophisticated User.
- Adequacy of Warnings: Fundamental Fairness v. Unreasonable Expectations

**Bobbie R. Bailey, Esq.,** Leader & Berkon, LLP, Los Angeles, CA **Shepard Hoffman, Esq.,** The Law Offices of Shepard A. Hoffman, LLC, Dallas, TX

#### 11:00 AM: Update on California Asbestos Litigation

Moderator: Christian H. Hartley, Esq., Maune Raichle Hartley French & Mudd, LLC, Los Angeles, CA

Moderator: D. Mark Jackson, Esq., Bassi Edlin Huie & Blum LLP, San Francisco, CA

Hon. Helen I. Bendix, Supervising Judge of the Settlement Courts for the Central District of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Los Angeles, CA

Hon. Teri Jackson, Asbestos Department Judge, San Francisco Superior Court, San Francisco, CA Hon. Jo-Lynne Q. Lee, Asbestos Department Judge, Alameda County Superior Court, Oakland, CA Kim Stone, President, Civil Justice Association of California, Sacramento, CA

## 12:00 PM: Adjourn

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The Fairmont San Francisco Hotel San Francisco, CA September 8-10, 2014

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## Presidio Golf Course, 300 Finley Road, San Francisco, CA 94129

Contact Kelsey Browning (kbrowning@perrinconferences.com) for additional details and to sign up for this event. The golf outing will start at 11:00am. There are a limited number of spots available.

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