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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2016
3:00 – 7:00pm Registration
4:30 – 5:30pm Young Professionals Happy Hour
5:30 – 6:00pm Newcomer and Sponsor Reception
6:00 – 7:30pm All Attendee Welcome Reception
8:00pm Dinner Dine-Out *(This is not a hosted event)*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2016
7:00 – 8:00am Yoga
7:30 – 8:30am Open 12-Step Support Group Meeting
7:30 – 8:45am Continental Breakfast
7:30 – 4:00pm Registration
8:00 – 8:30am Young Professionals Breakfast with Experience
8:30 – 8:45am Introduction and Program Overview
8:45 – 9:45am PLENARY SESSION 1

*The Evolving Media and Political Landscape*
A respected journalist, political strategist and award-winning ad maker, David Axelrod was the sage architect of Obama’s improbable four-year march from the Illinois State Senate to the White House, and again served as the mastermind in securing Obama’s second term in office. As senior advisor to the President, he was a key figure in shaping the administration’s agenda and its legislative victories. Axelrod is a senior political commentator for CNN. His New York Times best-selling memoir, *BELIEVER: My Forty Years in Politics* (February, 2015), spans forty years which include corruption and transformation, turmoil and progress, offering a look behind the closed doors of politics while offering a call to democratic action. From his unique vantage point, Axelrod analyzes the major issues of the day and the leadership lessons he has learned working alongside the President.

**SPEAKER**
David Axelrod CNN Senior Political Commentator, Chicago, IL

9:45 – 10:00am Refreshment Break
10:00 – 11:00am PLENARY SESSION 2

*The Latest Off the Presses – Legal Malpractice Claims Profile: 2012–2015*
The ABA is at the conference releasing its much-anticipated quadrennial Claims Study covering 2012–2015, which includes updated information and statistics regarding legal malpractice claims. This unique national study, containing responses from many legal malpractice insurers, provides a
A snapshot of the legal malpractice claims environment and data changes from previous studies. Panelists will address the data, including what it means beyond the numbers, what impact firm size seems to have had on potential claims, and whether there really are “risky” practice areas. Join this panel for an in-depth conversation on recent trends and takeaways.

**MODERATOR**

Shari L. Klevens  
Partner and Deputy General Counsel, Dentons US LLP, Washington, DC

**SPEAKERS**

Rajiv K. Batra  
Professional Lines Claims Specialist, AXIS Insurance, Berkeley Heights, NJ

Susan Forray  
FCAS, MAAA, Principal & Consulting Actuary, Milliman, Brookfield, WI

Timothy Gephart  
Vice President, Claims, Minnesota Lawyers Mutual Insurance Co., Minneapolis, MN

11:00 – 11:15am **Refreshment Break**

11:15 – 12:15pm **Breakout Sessions**

**BREAKOUT 1**

**Use and Defense of Experts in Legal Malpractice Cases**

The latitude with which an opposing expert is permitted to testify at trial can have a potentially significant impact on your case. Many legal malpractice plaintiff lawyers are unfamiliar with the limitations that may constrain their experts, and proceed to trial with the often false confidence that their theories will be strongly backed up by expert testimony. A meaningful understanding of the most effective attacks on legal malpractice expert testimony will put you in the best position to frustrate those expectations and also make your own use of experts more effective and less subject to challenge. You will learn about tactics and strategic thinking to apply in making decisions to challenge the other side’s expert. You will understand issues such as timing of objections, allowing a “bad” expert to go unchallenged, and developing settlement leverage through tactical timing.

**MODERATOR**

Jeffrey Hamilton Geiger  
Shareholder, Sands Anderson PC, Richmond, VA

**SPEAKERS**

David R. Atkinson  
Shareholder, Gunster, West Palm Beach, FL

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Partner, Rivkin Radler LLP, Uniondale, NY

Thomas A. Leghorn  
Partner, Wilson Elser, New York, NY

**BREAKOUT 2**

**Advanced Strategies for Case within a Case**

It is common knowledge that legal malpractice cases are tried with a “case within a case” mechanic. The sub-issues that may complicate the general rule are the heart of this presentation. You will learn how to deal with issues such as – how extensively the underlying matter should be re-litigated, what issues should be subject to judicial versus jury determination, and the difficulties posed by convincing a court that may be inclined to view all malpractice cases as proverbial “battles of the experts.” You will learn how to develop the most effective ways to convince a Court that certain issues that may appear to have been previously resolved in the underlying matter can (perhaps
must) be re-visited as part of the malpractice case. Panelists will also discuss how you convince a court or jury that a prior judge was wrong.

MODERATOR
Michael J. Flaherty Principal, Flaherty & Youngerman PC, Chicago, IL

SPEAKERS
Gale Dwyer Senior Claims Analyst, North American Claims Group, Allied World National Assurance Company, Farmington, CT
Bonnie Richardson Managing Partner, Folawn Alterman & Richardson LLP, Portland, OR
Robert M. Klein Principal, Klein Glasser Park & Lowe PL, Miami FL

BREAKOUT 3
How Could I Have Known? Prior Knowledge Coverage Issues in Lawyer Professional Liability Cases
Professional liability insurance policies typically include a provision, known as a “prior knowledge” exclusion, barring coverage for claims where an insured was aware, before the inception date of the policy, of circumstances that might reasonably be expected to result in a claim. You will learn from multiple perspectives: an in-house insurance company coverage attorney; an outside counsel who often represents carriers in coverage cases; and an experienced defense counsel about this particularly troublesome area for lawyer professional liability policies. Attendees will learn about the standards for assessing prior knowledge in different jurisdictions; the various ways that prior knowledge may impact a lawyer’s coverage; how carriers view and handle matters with prior knowledge issues; and strategies for litigating prior knowledge issues. The panel will also discuss the impact of prior knowledge coverage issues on defense counsel’s role and how such coverage issues influence litigation and settlement processes.

MODERATOR
Allison Lane Partner, Duane Morris LLP, San Francisco, CA

SPEAKERS
Kimberly A. Ashmore Partner, Wiley Rein LLP, Washington, DC
Kim Orbeck Senior Litigation Counsel, Strategic Claim Unit, Specialty Claim, CNA Insurance, Brea, CA
Alvin I. Frederick Supervising Attorney, Eccleston & Wolf PC, Hanover, MD

12:15 – 1:30pm Lunch
1:30 – 2:30pm Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT 4
Spoliation: New Law, New Dangers
In December 2015, new amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure went into effect which significantly changes courts’ analysis regarding duties of preservation and the standard for spoliation. While the amendments provide an opportunity for attorneys to advise their clients regarding preserving electronically stored information (“ESI”), the amendments also expose the unwary practitioner and his client to potential sanctions. During this program, our panel will discuss the recent amendments, potential gaps in malpractice insurance coverage for anticipated quasi malpractice/spoliation claims and practice pointers for navigating these new rules.
PROGRAM SCHEDULE AND DESCRIPTIONS

SPEAKERS
Ronald C. Minkoff Partner, Frankfurt Kurnit Klein & Selz PC, New York, NY
Heather K. Kelly Partner, Gordon and Reese, Denver, CO
Hon. Craig B. Shaffer United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Colorado, Denver, CO
Lisa R. Midkiff Esq., CPCU, RPLU, Director of Claims, B&B Protector Plans, Inc., Tampa, FL

BREAKOUT 5
Young Professionals: Understanding the Principles of Contributory and Comparative Negligence in Legal Malpractice Actions
In most jurisdictions customary tort law principles authorize the defense of contributory negligence in legal malpractice. These allocation systems vary widely and it is critical to understand the underlying law to properly make a strategic decision using this defense. A verdict allocating different percentages amongst multiple tortfeasors typically mean the damages liability for each for collection purposes is “several” (proportional) rather than “joint and several.” In this session you will learn all of the fundamental legal and strategic considerations in fault allocation – limiting or possibly precluding the law firm’s exposure either where the plaintiff’s wounds were “self-inflicted” or where responsibility for causing the plaintiff’s claimed injury can be laid at the feet of others.

MODERATOR
Melissa M. Lessell Partner, Deutsch Kerrigan LLP, New Orleans, LA

SPEAKERS
David P. Atkins Member, Pullman & Comley LLC, Bridgeport, CT
Jocelin Singer Claims Consultant, CNA Lawyers Professional Liability Claims, New York, NY
Katie M. Lachter Partner, Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, New York, NY

2:30 – 2:45pm Refreshment Break
2:45 – 4:00pm Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT 6
Seeking Sanctionary: The Evolving Role of Sanctions and Civility in Litigation
Courts are increasingly imposing sanctions on attorneys for their litigation conduct. Attorney behavior that once was considered uncivil, or rude, may now trigger the imposition of sanctions some of which are now including nontraditional, non-monetary forms of sanctions. Learn about recent trends in courts’ use of sanctions, how to defend against sanction motions, and the role civility can play in litigation to reduce the risk of sanctions. Attendees will learn about recent cases that have triggered newer sanction forms, the varying kinds of attorney conduct that may trigger sanctions, strategies for defending sanctions motions, and how basic principles of civility can significantly reduce the risk of sanctions without hindering zealous advocacy. The panel will also discuss the coverage implications raised by sanctions motions under many lawyer professional liability policies.

MODERATOR
Allison L. Wood Principal, Legal Ethics Consulting, Chicago, IL
BREAKOUT 7

**Representing the Fractured and Imploding Entity**

Internal power struggles, unclear lines of authority or delegation, and similar internal dysfunction may make it impossible for the entity’s attorney to know who speaks for the client. As internal constituents turn to the attorney to “umpire” their conflicts, the line between “corporate” and “individual” blurs and the scope of representation expands and withdrawal may not always be a viable option. The Rule 1.13 maxim that the entity’s lawyer represents the entity and not its constituents does not clarify in this instance. This panel will address the best strategies for managing the risks arising from representation of such an entity based upon their own experiences, lessons from recent high profile cases, and ethical mandates. You will come away from this session equipped to manage these risks in your own practice, to advise other attorneys facing such challenges, and to defend them after the representation goes south.

**MODERATOR**

James A. Brown Partner, Liskow & Lewis, New Orleans, LA

**SPEAKERS**

Kevin Rosen Partner, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher, Los Angeles, CA

Craig D. Singer Partner, Williams & Connolly, Washington, DC

Gwendolyn Prothro Renigar Partner and General Counsel, Steptoe & Johnson LLP, Washington, DC

BREAKOUT 8

**Budgets, Evaluations, Reserves and Loss Development – What Defense Lawyers Need to Know**

Reserves to defend and resolve claims usually comprise the biggest liability on an insurance company’s balance sheet; historically, under-reserving has been one of the major reasons that insurance companies have become financially impaired. The defense lawyer plays a critical role in the reserving process but often does not fully understand the intricacies of this process. In this session you will learn the components of loss reserves, how insurers set reserves and why accurate reserving is critical. As a defense attorney you will understand the importance of the evaluations and budgets that you provide to the insurer. You will also understand the difference between budgeting and reserving and the meaning of loss development. You will walk away from this panel as a better business partner for the insurers that you work with.

**MODERATOR**

Daniel Zureich President and CEO, Lawyers Mutual Liability Insurance Company of North Carolina, Cary, NC

**SPEAKERS**

Steven Couch President and CEO, Ohio Bar Liability Insurance Company, Columbus, OH

David Moore Principal, Moore Actuarial Consulting LLC, Chicago, IL
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The Jury Process of Deflecting the Blame: Contributory and Comparative Negligence and Apportionment
“Pointing the finger” can significantly lower your client’s exposure to a massive legal malpractice verdict. But identifying and then executing the best strategies and themes for apportioning fault to others is often the most difficult part of defending a complex, multi-party legal malpractice case. This panel of nationally renowned legal malpractice litigators will demonstrate arguments, plaintiff and defense, before a jury panel. A jury consultant will debrief the jurors on what worked and what didn’t, with questioning from the audience. You will come away from this program better equipped to formulate and refine your own fault apportionment themes and arguments and to use them effectively to deflect the blame in legal malpractice cases.

SPEAKERS
R. Dennis Donoghue  President, Donoghue & Associates, Inc., Chicago, IL
Jeffrey A. Jannuzzo  Principal, Jannuzzo Law Office, New York, NY
Margaret A. Keeley  Partner, Williams and Connolly, Washington, DC

10:15 – 10:30am  Refreshment Break
10:30 – 11:45am  PLENARY 4

Recent Cases in Cyber Liability
In 2013 a law firm IT specialist labeled law firms the “soft underbelly of American cybersecurity.” The FBI has issued warnings and held meetings with nearly all of the top law firms in New York about the risk of data breach and theft of confidential and proprietary client information. With almost every news cycle featuring another hacking episode, law firms should consider themselves on notice that comprehensive measures need to be in place to safeguard confidential client and firm information against a cyber-attack. Using real life examples of recent claims and cases, this session will discuss the legal, regulatory and ethical exposure faced by law firms as a result of the failure to protect against cyber-attacks involving ransomware, sophisticated phishing attacks, rogue employees, and lost unencrypted laptops containing client information.

MODERATOR
Edward J. McAndrew  Partner, Ballard Spahr LLP, Philadelphia, PA

SPEAKERS
James L. Rhyner  Senior Vice President, Professional Liability-North America Major Accounts, Chubb, Warren, NJ
Kevin Burt  Assistant Vice President – IronPro, Ironshore Insurance Services LLC, Chicago, IL
Gideon J. Lenkey  President, RA Security Systems, Mitford, NJ
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Yes, I want to enroll in the Lawyers’ Professional Liability Consortium. The fiscal year runs from September 1, 2016 to August 31, 2017. Please enroll me at the following level:

☐ $25 eMembership
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☐ $850 Individual LPLC Subscription
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Have questions or need assistance? Contact Marcia Yarbrough at 312.988.5763 or marcia.yarbrough@americanbar.org.

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Primary/Billing Contact Information
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Early-Bird Rates end August 10, 2016
Advance Registration Deadline: September 7, 2016
(Last chance to be placed on the Advance Registration List)
For your convenience, we encourage you to register online at ambar.org/LPLFall2016.
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- 2016-2017 Individual or Organizational Associate Lawyers’ Professional Liability Consortium $0
- ABA Young Lawyers Division members $375 (Must be a member in good standing)
- Law School faculty $525

Early-Bird Rates end August 10

Before 8/10 After 8/10
- ABA members $550 $625 $ _____
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Networking Events

- Wednesday Welcome Reception (No charge for registered attendees)
  September 21, 2016 – 5:30-7:30pm
  Guest Name on badge: ________________________ Guest $60 each $ _____

- Thursday Evening Reception at the Field Museum of Natural History (ticketed event)
  September 22, 2016 – 5:30-7:30pm
  Reservations for:
  - Attendee #1
  - Attendee #2 $60 each $ _____
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be received no later than September 7, 2016 for your name to appear on the printed
Advance Registration List. After September 7, 2016 registrations will be processed on-
site only. A $50 on-site registration fee will be applied, and on-site registrants will be
included in the post-conference Registration List.

Refunds (less a $50 administration fee) must be requested in writing by September
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Individuals with guaranteed reservations must cancel their reservation 72 hours prior to scheduled arrival to avoid a one-night cancellation charge. Rooms are available no later than 4:00pm and check-out time is 12:00pm Early check-ins will be offered on a first-priority basis as rooms become available. The hotel will provide complimentary safe-keeping of baggage and personal items for Conference attendees arriving before check-in if rooms are not available, and for those leaving after check-out time on the day of departure.

The Swissotel offers all ABA guests complimentary wireless high-speed internet access in all guest rooms. Rooms are available on a first-come, first-served basis, so please make your reservation early. Unclaimed rooms will be released at 5:00pm (CST) on Tuesday, August 10, 2016.

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Scholarships
Scholarships are available for up to 50% off the registration fee. For more information visit ambar.org/LPLFall2016 or contact victoria.shea@americanbar.org (scholarships are limited).

Registration Cancellations
Refunds minus a $50 administration fee will be issued for cancellations received in writing by September 7, 2016. There will be no refunds after September 7, 2016.

Substitutions may be made at no additional charge.

Conference Registration
The Registration Desk will open at 3:00pm on Wednesday, September 21 in the Zurich Registration area adjacent to the general session room, 1st Floor Event Center at the Swissotel. Attendees may check-in or register on-site to receive name badges and conference materials. Badges are required for entry into all ABA hosted events.
Wednesday Welcome Reception
(Included with Conference Registration)
Wednesday, September 21
5:30-6:00pm – Newcomer and Sponsor Reception
6:00-7:30pm – All Attendees Welcome Reception
First-time attendees and conference sponsors are invited to the Newcomer and Sponsor Reception at 5:30pm to meet the members of the Standing Committee and receive a brief introduction to the conference. Be sure to indicate when you register that you are a first-time attendee. Beginning at 6:00, the reception is open to all attendees and their guests. Unregistered guest admission can be purchased at the Registration Desk: (Fee $60)

Dine-Out
(This is not a hosted event)
Wednesday, September 21 – 8:00pm reservations
Chicago is a Foodies delight. Join us for a culinary trip around the world with Chicago’s varied ethnicities. You can find dining options from African to Vietnamese. The restaurants selected for the Dine-Out event are a short cab ride from the Swissotel, representing a small selection of Chicago’s culinary offerings. It’s a great opportunity to meet new people and network with colleagues over dinner and drinks. Reservations have been made for 8:00pm at each restaurant, unless otherwise noted. Sign-in sheets will be available at the Registration Desk prior to the Welcome Reception. Connect with your fellow professionals and sample some of Chicago’s best at the Dine-Out event. Check the conference website at www.ambar.org/LPLFall 2016 for selected restaurants.

Young Professionals Events
(Events below are included with your paid Conference Registration)
Hosted Happy Hour: Wednesday, September 21, 4:30-5:30pm
Breakfast with Experience: Thursday, September 22, 8:00-8:30am
Hosted Dinner: Thursday, September 22, 8:30pm (space is limited)
Along with the Young Professionals Roundtable, the Standing Committee organizes several events exclusively for the young lawyers and insurance professionals 36 years of age or younger. In order to receive detailed information regarding the events listed, please register for the conference. Remember to check the “I am a Young Lawyer or Insurance Professional” box on your registration form. Contact Melissa Lessell at mlessell@deutschkerrigan.com, 504.593.0689 or 650.245.4344 with any questions. Active members of the ABA’s Young Lawyers Division are eligible to receive a discounted registration fee.

Thursday Evening Reception at the Field Museum of Natural History (Fee $60)
September 22, 5:30-7:30pm
The Field Museum is one of Chicago’s treasures, offering expansive views of the Chicago skyline, Museum Campus and Lake Michigan. Network with colleagues with a glass of wine, while listening to Chicago Blues, then wander into Stanley Field Hall. Check out Sue (the largest T-rex specimen in the world) while walking across the 300-million-year-old fossilized limestone floor to Rice Hall for another glass of wine and the Serengeti exhibit housing the famous Man-Eaters of Tsavo. The lions wreaked havoc among the workers during the construction of a Kenyan railroad bridge in 1898, and when captured were sent to the Field where they’ve been on display for over 100 years.

Special Early Morning Sessions
Relax with Yoga!
Thursday & Friday, 7:00-8:00am
Phil Book, a certified yoga instructor and industry professional, will lead you through a well-rounded yoga practice accessible to beginners yet satisfying for even advanced yogis. Classes will include physical postures, breath work, and deep relaxation. See and experience the many ways that yoga can enhance your overall conference experience. Mats provided courtesy of Long & Levit.

Open 12-Step Support Group Meeting
Thursday & Friday, 7:30-8:30am
A room is available for Open 12-Step Support Group Meetings for interested attendees.
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