

15th Annual
**TEXAS INSURANCE
LAW SYMPOSIUM**
January 20-21, 2011

This year's Texas Insurance Law Symposium is designed to provide litigators and other professionals in the insurance industry with practical tools and techniques they can apply immediately to help best serve their clients. The 2011 Symposium includes a wide variety of topics – homeowners and commercial litigation updates, new problems and issues with *Stowers*, defense costs, dealing with independent adjusters and with “good faith/bad faith” experts, policy conditions, appraisals, and additional insureds. Also included is a session devoted exclusively to the issues and litigation surrounding the use of Chinese drywall, the increasingly popular Ethics in Insurance Law Luncheon, and two practical perspectives – from the Trenches and from the Bench – on trying insurance cases. The 2011 Symposium is truly a “can’t miss” event.

Join your colleagues for a packed agenda offering 13.25 MCLE hours, including 1.5 hours of legal ethics.

South Texas College of Law
1303 San Jacinto
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Houston, Texas

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Thursday, January 20, 2011

- 8:00 **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:50 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
 • Lisa L. Dahm, J.D., LL.M.-Health, *Director of CLE and Adjunct Professor, South Texas College of Law*
- 9:00 **Extra-Contractual Update: The Year in Review**(.50 hour)
 • Mark L. Kincaid, *Kincaid & Horton, L.L.P. Austin*
- 9:30 **Hurricane Litigation: Homeowners Update**(.75 hour)
 • Brian M. Chandler, *McKinley & Zito, P.C. Houston*
 • Jeffrey L. Raizner, *Doyle Raizner LLP Houston*
- 10:15 **Morning Break**
- 10:30 **Hurricane Litigation: Commercial Update**(.75 hour)
 • Thomas H. Cook, Jr., *Zelle Hoffmann Voelbel & Mason LLP Dallas*
 • Vince Morgan, *Pillsbury Houston*
- 11:15 **Stowers: New Problems and New Issues**(.50 hour)
 • Robert D. Allen, *Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson LLP Dallas*
- 11:45 **Lunch Break** (pick up lunch and return to the auditorium)
- 12:00 **Lunch Presentation**
The Cutting Edge: Chinese Drywall(1.0 hour)
 • Steven F. Griffith, Jr., *Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC New Orleans*
 • Philip D. Nizialek, *Carver, Darden, Koretzky, Tessier, Finn, Blossman & Areaux LLC New Orleans*
- 1:00 **After Lunch Break**
- 1:15 **Business Interruption: Principles and Pitfalls**(.75 hour)
 • Claude L. Stuart, III, *Phelps Dunbar LLP Houston*
- 2:00 **Independent Adjusters: Problems and Solutions**(.75 hour)
 • Jay W. Brown, *Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P. Houston*
 • Karen Milhollin, *Westmoreland Hall Maines & Lugin, P.C. Houston*
- 2:45 **Afternoon Break**
- 3:00 **The Use and Abuse of “Good Faith/Bad Faith” Experts**(1.0 hour)
 • Michael W. Huddleston, *Shannon, Gracey, Ratliff & Miller, LLP Dallas*
 • Michael Sean Quinn, *The Law Firm of Michael Sean Quinn Austin*
- 4:00 **Trying Insurance Cases: Lessons from the Bench (Includes .25 hour of legal ethics)**(1.0 hour)
 • Hon. Susan Criss, *212th Judicial District Court Galveston*
 • Hon. Mike Miller, *11th District Court Houston Houston*
- 5:00 **Adjourn**

Total MCLE Hours for Thursday: 7.0 hours, .25 hour of legal ethics

Friday, January 21, 2011

- 8:00 **Continental Breakfast**
- 8:50 **Welcome Remarks**
 • Lisa L. Dahm, J.D., LL.M.-Health, *Director of CLE and Adjunct Professor, South Texas College of Law*
- 9:00 **Deconstructing Stanford: Practical Solutions to Recovering Defense Costs Under Claims-Made Policies**(.75 hour)
 • Jamie R. Carsey, *Thompson Coe Houston*
 • J. James Cooper, *Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP Houston*
- 9:45 **Additional Insured Morass**(.75 hour)
 • R. Brent Cooper, *Cooper & Scully, PC Houston*
 • Lee H. Shidlofsky, *Visser Shidlofsky LLP Austin*
- 10:30 **Morning Break**
- 10:45 **The Legacy of Mid-Continent vs Liberty Mutual**(1.25 hours)
 • Beth Bradley, *Tollefson Bradley Ball & Mitchell, L.L.P. Dallas*
 • Robert J. Cunningham, *Roach & Newton, L.L.P. Houston*
 • Brian S. Martin, *Thompson Coe Houston*
- 12:00 **Lunch Break** (pick up lunch and return to the auditorium)
- 12:15 **Lunch Presentation**
Hollywood Squares: Insurance Ethics Edition (Includes 1.0 hour of legal ethics)(1.0 hour)
 • Jamie Cooper, *Martin, Disiere, Jefferson & Wisdom, L.L.P. Houston*
- 1:15 **After Lunch Break**
- 1:30 **Appraisal: Issues and Mechanics**(1.0 hour)
 • Jeffrey L. Hoffman, *Henslee Schwartz, LLP Houston*
- 2:30 **Afternoon Break**
- 2:45 **Trying Insurance Cases: Lessons from the Trenches (Includes .25 hour of legal ethics)**(1.0 hour)
 • William J. Chriss, *Law Office of William J. Criss, P.C. Austin*
 • Christopher W. Martin, *Martin, Disiere, Jefferson & Wisdom, L.L.P. Houston*
- 3:45 **Policy Conditions: Cooperation, Late Notice, EUOs and Other Fun**(.50 hour)
 • J. Hampton Skelton, *Skelton & Woody, Austin*
- 4:15 **Adjourn**

Total MCLE Hours for Friday: 6.25 hours, 1.25 hours of legal ethics

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REGISTRATION

Tuition includes breakfast, lunch, refreshments and course manual. No written confirmations will be sent. Allow one week to process. Confirm your registration at www.stcl.edu/cle/registrationconfirmation.html.

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Refunds, less a \$45.00 processing fee, will be given to those who cancel in writing by 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 18, 2011. No refunds will be granted thereafter.

ACCREDITATIONS

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Accredited by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Administrative Law, Civil Appellate Law, Civil Trial Law, Consumer Law, and Personal Injury Trial Law.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Limited, partial tuition scholarships are available for attorneys with government agencies and nonprofit organizations. Direct written requests to Linda Roberts, Program Administrator.

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For any special needs as addressed in the Americans with Disabilities Act, call Kimberly Smith at (713) 646-1757 or (800) 646-1253 by December 17, 2010 or as soon thereafter as possible.

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