



**NEBRASKA DEFENSE COUNSEL ASSOCIATION
2013 ANNUAL MEETING AND SEMINAR**

**Friday, May 31, 2013
Quarry Oaks Golf Club – Ashland, NE**

AGENDA

7:45 – 8:10 REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:10 – 8:30 CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS IN NEBRASKA CASE LAW

Terry R. Wittler – Cline, Williams, Wright, Johnson & Oldfather, LLP

Don't be late for Terry Wittler's review and analysis of this year's past decisions of the Nebraska Supreme Court and Nebraska Court of Appeals, with emphasis on decisions impacting defense practice and insurance claims.

8:30 – 9:15 WHAT'S HURTING ME – NEUROLOGICAL UPDATE

Jordan Adam – Fraser Stryker, PC, LLO

Harris A. Frankel, M.D.

Jordan Adam and Dr. Frankel will present an update on neurological examinations and evaluations and their impact upon the defense practice.

9:15 – 10:15 THE CAPE MAY COURTHOUSE CAPER

Joseph M. Cormier, Ph.D., P.E. – Biodynamic Research Corporation

Dr. Cormier will illustrate the use of forensic engineering in a captivating case involving the apparent accidental death of a dentist's wife in a late night automobile accident, the subsequent life insurance claim, and multiple twists and turns throughout that will leave you captivated.

10:15 – 10:30 MORNING BREAK

10:30 - 11:00 THAT CHIROPRACTOR IS A QUACK

Emily Cameron – Shively & Lannin, P.C., L.L.O.

Dr. Randy McCracken

Emily Cameron and Dr. McCracken will discuss the handling of chiropractic overtreatment cases and winning defenses in settlement and at trial.

11:00 – Noon FASTEN YOUR SEATBELTS, QUICK HITTER TOPICS

These 10-15 minute presentations will address a number of current topics, including:

- Congress Gets SMART: What You Need to Know About The SMART Act and How It Will Impact Your Claims Handling
Andrea D. Snowden – Baylor, Evnen, Curtiss, Gruit & Witt, LLP
- A Hollow Victory – The Recovery of Prevailing Recovery Costs in Nebraska
Timothy J. Thalken – Fraser Stryker, P.C., LLO
- To Admit or Not to Admit - Handling Rule 36 Admissions in Nebraska after *U.S. Bank v. Peterson*, 284 Neb. 820 (2012)
Renee A. Eveland – Wolfe, Snowden, Hurd, Luers & Ahl, LLP
- Do They Really Think That Way - Generation Y Jurors and Their Impacts Upon Your Trials
Robert S. Lannin – Shively & Lannin, P.C., LLO

Noon LUNCH DURING PRESENTATIONS

12:00 – 12:15 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Kyle Wallor – Lamson, Dugan & Murray, LLP

Kyle Wallor will update attendees on the status of the Nebraska Legislature and its impact upon the defense practice.

12:15 – 12:30 BUSINESS MEETING AND THIRD ANNUAL NDCA AWARDS

12:30 – 1:00 BYE BYE BILLABLE HOUR, HELLO FLAT FEE

Robert Keith, II – Engles, Ketcham, Olson & Keith, P.C.

Rob Keith will present an enlightening discussion of the future of the defense practice and attorney compensation, flat fee arrangements, and other potential financial handling of litigation defense going forward.

1:00 – 1:45 OF ROCKS AND HARD PLACES: ETHICS CHALLENGES FOR DEFENSE LAWYERS

Douglas Richmond, Managing Director, Professional Services Group of Aon Risk Services

The Professional Services Group of Aon Risk Services is the world's largest broker of insurance for professional service firms. Doug is a nationally recognized speaker on ethics and professional responsibility.

1:45 GOLF AND SOCIAL NETWORKING RECEPTION

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