

CURRENT ISSUES

WORKERS' COMPENSATION SEMINAR

Friday, March 17, 2023

Vizcaya Sacramento

2019 21st Street, Sacramento, CA (916) 455-5243

2023 Panelists

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Agenda



8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Registration and Brunch



8:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

**Introduction and Comments:
Case Law Update and Review**



11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Break



11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**At Home Injuries - Liability and
Defenses**



1:00 - 2:30

Raffle -- Wine Tasting

This year's conference will be held both with an in-person audience, as well as virtually/web-casted. Again this year we will have a raffle of over \$5,000 in gifts and prizes!! With the exception of the MAC Computer, drawing eligibility will be otherwise limited to the limited in-person audience. In-person attendees will receive a lavish brunch, espresso/specialty drink bar, and our signature end of conference wine tasting, along with our signature end of conference wine tasting with hors d'oeuvres pairing.

The cost for virtual attendees wanting 5 MCLE/QME or MCLE Specialization credits is \$75. Claims Professional attending virtually is without charge. In-person attendance is as follows: \$265 for physicians and attorneys; Legal support staff is \$150.00; Claims Professional is \$50.00. Live attendance is very limited so register early!

All attendees will receive electronic materials, and link for a free IOS and Droid download of the 2023 Matrix CompCalcPlus. All attendees must register with the Law Offices of Richard L. Montarbo. All registrations should be received prior to March 1, 2023.

This seminar is web-casted and streamed live from The Vizcaya Hotel in Sacramento, 2019 21st Street, Sacramento, CA (916) 455-5243 and available at MontarboLaw.com. For more information, please contact the Law Office of Richard L. Montarbo, 146 Main Street, Red Bluff, California 96080, Telephone (530) 529-9860; Fax (530) 529-9865.

**Approved for 5.0 HOURS MCLE/QME WORKERS' COMPENSATION SPECIALIZATION
AND WCCP CREDITS**

This activity is approved for Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of California in the amount of 5.0 hours, which includes 4.0 hours of class/lecture time plus 1.0 hour of self-study of materials, and 0 hours will apply to legal ethics/law practice management/prevention, detection, and treatment of substance abuse and emotional distress/elimination of bias credit, as appropriate to the content of the activity. Law Offices of Richard L. Montarbo certifies that this activity conforms to the standards for approved education activities prescribed by the rules and regulations of the State Bar of California governing Minimum Continuing Legal Education.

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FEATURED AGAIN THIS YEAR

Following this year's Current Issues Workers' Compensation Seminar, the conference will conclude with our annual Prize Drawings and Wine Tasting for the In-person Audience.

Speakers ~ Curriculum Vitae

- ❖ **RICHARD L. MONTARBO, Esq.** Admitted to California State Bar, 1987; Hawaii State Bar, 1989. Education: California State University at Sacramento (B.S. 1983 Business Economics and Computer Science); University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law (J.D., 1987). Admitted to Practice before U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; U.S. State District Court, Northern District of California; State Courts of the State of California. Certified Workers' Compensation Specialist 1995. [U.S. Navy, Flight active and Reserve duty, 1987-1996.] Mr. Montarbo is a frequent presenter at various Workers' Compensation claims conferences, including State Bar of California Section, CAJAPA, DVICA, as well as having provided the defense perspective on a number of occasions at the CAAA annual conference. Mr. Montarbo is an Adjunct Professor at McGeorge School of Law, as well as the author and assistant editor of the Work Comp Index: A Topical Guide to California Workers' Compensation Law, published by Lexis/Nexis, and is the developer of CompCalc Plus available at the APP Store, Google Play, and Microsoft Store.
- ❖ **DUDLEY PHENIX, Esq.** Currently a partner with the firm of Timmons, Owens, Jansen & Tichy. In 1990, Mr. Phenix graduated from U.C.D. Law School earning a J.D. From 2007-2019 Mr. Phenix was a Workers' Compensation Judge with the Sacramento WCAB. From 1993-1998 he worked as an associate attorney and then as a partner for the firm Jones, Clifford, McDevitt, Naekel and Johnson. Mr. Phenix co-owned the firm of Naekel and Phenix, LLP, where he and his partner managed four associate attorneys, a staff of 15 employees, and several hundred Workers' Compensations and Retirement cases. Between 2006-2007, he owned and operated the Law Offices of Dudley R. Phenix. In June of 2006, *Sacramento Magazine* recognized Mr. Phenix as "One of Sacramento's Best Lawyers." Mr. Phenix was recognized by the California State Bar as the Workers' Compensation Judge of the year.
- ❖ **RICHARD M. JACOBMEYER, Esq.** St. Mary's College 1968-1972; University of Santa Clara School of Law, J.D., 1975 graduated cum laude. Currently employed with Shaw, Jacobsmeyer, Crain, Claffey & Nix as a Partner of the Oakland office. Member: Certified Workers' Compensation Specialist since 1981. Industrial Claims Association, Seminar Chair. CAAA, Board of Governors 1986-1990, 1992-1994. NCAAA, Board of Governors Treasurer 1987-1988, Secretary 1988-1990, President-elect 1990-1992, President 1992-1994. Affiliations: California State Bar, California Workers' Compensation Defense Attorneys Association.
- ❖ **JASON MARCUS, Esq.** Education: California State University, Sacramento B.A., 2005. University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law, J.D., 2008. Mr. Marcus is a partner with the firm of Marcus, Regalado & Marcus located in Sacramento, CA. He is a member and Secretary of the Executive Board of the California Applicants' Attorneys Association, as well as being on the Board of Directors from September 2010 to present, he is also a member of the Sacramento County Bar Association and California State Bar Association. Mr. Marcus is a Certified Workers' Compensation Specialist since July 2014. He has also spoken as a panelist at a number of CAAA Conventions and Seminars and currently serves on the CAAA Executive Board.
- ❖ **ZACH FROST, Esq.** Mr. Frost has been representing applicants and plaintiffs for 13 years. He is a Certified Specialist in Workers' Compensation practicing in Fremont (NoCal) with Raymond E. Frost at The Frost Law Office. He has repeatedly been recognized as a Super Lawyer Rising Star and has presented at prior CAAA Conventions.
- ❖ **JIM WITKOP, Esq.** Mr. Witkop graduated cum laude from SUNY-Buffalo in 1997 with a major in psychology and a minor in English. He was accepted to the Santa Clara University School of Law in 1997 as a Heafy Law Scholarship recipient. In 1998 he studied abroad at the University of Hong Kong School of Law. During law school, Mr. Witkop was selected for highly-competitive internships with The Oakland Raiders and Temple Chambers in Hong Kong, China. Mr. Witkop successfully competed during on-campus interviews and was selected for a paid clerkship during his second year of law school. He was an Honors Moot Court competitor in his final year of law school.