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# Summer Session 2024

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## FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2024

12:00 pm – 4:00 pm **Registration & Exhibits Open**

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **Law Practice Management: Today and Tomorrow**

The presentation will focus on identifying today's issues for law firms that impact the recruiting, retaining, and developing attorneys for future leaders. Topics of discussion will include professional, financial, and business development, leadership development, mentorship and firm culture.

- **Thomas Feher**, *Partner, LeBeau Thelen, LLP and Thomas P. Feher Mediation*
- **Anthony Kohrs**, *Partner, Kohrs & Fiske*

2:00 pm – 2:15 pm **Break**

2:15 pm – 3:30 pm **Neuropsychology After Randy's Trucking v. Superior Court**

**MCLE: 1.25 Hours, General Credit**  
We invite you to join a panel discussion of the impacts of the California Court of Appeal's decision in *Randy's Trucking v. Superior Court*, 91 Cal. App. 5th 818 (Cal. Ct. App. 2023), on cognitive function examinations in traumatic brain injury cases. The discussion will explore the impact of Randy's Trucking on test security and legal strategy, and feature leading neuropsychologists and trial lawyers specializing in TBI litigation.

- **Catherine Marreiro, PhD ABPP-CN**, *Co-Director, Bay Area Cognitive Health*
- **Courtney O'Brien**, *Deputy City Attorney III, City of Oakland*
- **Christine Naber, PhD**, *Neuropsychologist*
- **Kate Stimeling**, *Partner, Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila, LLP*
- **Hon. Wayne M. Purdom**, *DeKalb County State Court*

3:30 pm – 3:45 pm **Break**

3:45 pm – 5:00 pm **7 Tips for Avoiding Legal Malpractice Claims and Coverage Issues That Every Defense Lawyer Needs to Know**  
**MCLE: 1.25 Hours, Ethics Credit**

Ms. Moghaddam, Claims Attorney at Lawyers' Mutual Insurance Company, will share her experience and unique insights as both a litigator/legal malpractice specialist and insurance professional for avoiding malpractice claims against your defense firm. From risk management strategies and the handling of a wide range of malpractice claims, to how to best utilize your carrier, Ms. Moghaddam will cover the unique risks facing defense lawyers and common pitfalls to avoid, including ethical issues that can lead to such claims.

- **Amanda Moghaddam**, *Lawyer's Mutual Insurance*

5:00 pm – 6:00 pm **Welcome Cocktail Reception**  
Guests welcome.



**Register online at [www.adcncn.org](http://www.adcncn.org)**

### REGISTRATION FEES:

- ADC Member – \$325      Non-Member – \$425
- ADC Young Lawyer Member - \$225
- ADC Member from the Same Firm – \$225
- Firm Administrator / Non-Attorney – \$295

**Cancellations: Registrant must cancel in writing at least one week prior to the seminar. Refunds less \$50 processing fee.**

## SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2024

7:30 am – 12:00 pm **Registration & Exhibits Open**

8:00 am – 9:00 am **Women in the Law Breakfast**

9:00 am – 10:00 am **Overview of Important Settlement Statutes**  
**MCLE: 1 Hour, General Credit**

The presentation will include a discussion of two important settlement statutes, Civil Code Section 999-999.5 and California Code of Civil Procedure Section 664.6. Topics of discussion will include the new bad faith policy limit demand letter requirements, which constitute policy limit demands before the commencement of litigation, as set forth in Civil Code Sections 999-999.5. The discussion will also include tips as to how California Code of Civil Procedure Section 664.6 can be used to document a settlement before, or in place of, a long form settlement agreement and provide the parties with the ability to enforce settlements in the face of potential later disputes.

- **Arnie Levinson**, *Mediator*

10:00 am – 10:15 am **Break**

10:15 am – 11:45 am **Building Your Personal Brand**

Hear perspectives from both sides of the aisle (plaintiff and defense) on the importance of building a personal brand including benefits to the individual attorney and associated law firm. Topics of discussion will include strategies for marketing and networking, as well effective use of social media and other promotional tools by both individual attorneys and law firms. Attorneys of all ages and experience levels will benefit from the panelists' discussion about "rainmaking" in the modern day.

- **Nolan Armstrong**, *McNamara, Ambacher, Wheeler, Hirsig & Gray LLP*
- **Marie Holvick**, *Gordon Rees Scully Mansukhani, LLP*
- **Chaya Mandelbaum**, *Rudy Exelrod Zieff & Lowe LLP*

11:45 am **End of Session**