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44th Annual Torts Update

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Review the ramifications

For short info-packed segments on recent case law within tort litigation, the *44th Annual Torts Update* should be your #1 go-to. From product liability MDLs to insurance policy exclusions, you'll be brought up to speed on developments affecting a variety of topics.

Plus, you'll explore when and under what circumstances you can expect to appear remotely post-pandemic and review what ethics rules have to say about civility in law practice.

How you'll benefit:

- Learn the most important precedents in tort litigation from the past year
- Discuss immunities for property owners in trespassing cases
- Assess obligations that insurance companies must meet as part of their duty to defend
- Explore the future of remote hearings
- Unpack the proliferation of multidistrict product liability litigation
- Understand your ethical obligation to maintain civility

Who should attend:

- Torts & personal injury attorneys
- Insurance lawyers
- Civil litigators
- General practitioners

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Schedule

8:30 AM Duty to Defend – New Rules?
• A discussion of *Choinsky v. Employers Ins. Co. of Wausau*, 2020 WI 13
• Coverage fees – recovery or avoidance
• Open questions on the duty to defend
• Practice pointers in addressing coverage issues
Thomas R. Schrimpf

8:55 AM Product Liability Update
Jesse B. Blocher

9:20 AM When the Dog Bites – A Discussion of Current Trends in the Law
• Dangerous dog exclusions
• Highlights from recent cases
• Practice pointers for defending dog bite claims
Grace M. Kulkoiski

9:45 AM Making Sense of the Case Law on Sec. 628.46 Interest
• The different standards for first party and third party claims?
• What is required to furnish "written notice of the fact of a covered loss and the amount of the loss"?• What constitutes "reasonable proof to establish that the insurer is not responsible" for the loss?
• What is the interplay between Sec. 628.46 and bad faith liability?
Lynn R. Laufenberg

10:10 AM Break

10:25 AM Zoom Virtual Hearings – The Court's Perspective
• Yesterday: "I'm not a cat..." and other lessons learned
• Today: Making Zoom work effectively
• Tomorrow: Zoom virtual hearings going forward
Hon. William S. Pocan

10:50 AM Statutory Immunity from the Claims of Trespassers – Who Is a "Lawful Occupant"?
• *Stroede v. Society* – immunity for property owners in cases of trespass
• Ramifications for immunity in general
• Discussion of other immunities – dram shop, recreational, municipal, others
Eric S. Darling

11:15 AM Is Civility an Ethical Obligation?
• What the Supreme Court Rules have to say
• Navigating the tension between zealous advocacy and uncivil conduct
• Tips for avoiding crossing the line and dealing with those who do
Stacie H. Rosenzweig

12:05 PM Program Concludes

Following start time, schedule will vary slightly from above listed times.

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Dates

Live Webcast

Friday, September 10, 2021

Webcast Replay

Thursday, September 23, 2021

Friday, October 1, 2021

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Monday, October 18, 2021

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

Thursday, November 4, 2021

Saturday, November 27, 2021

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