



# SEXUAL ABUSE LITIGATION & COVERAGE CONFERENCE

NEW YORK CITY BAR ASSOCIATION  
OCTOBER 17, 2024

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**Perrin Conferences**  
**Sexual Abuse Litigation and Coverage Conference**  
**Thursday, October 17, 2024**  
**New York City Bar Association**

**8:00 AM – 8:45 AM: Registration and Light Breakfast** (Reception Area- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)  
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**8:45 AM – 9:00 AM: Welcome and Opening Remarks** (Meeting Hall- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor)

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**9:00 AM – 10:00 AM: Sexual Abuse Litigation, Legislative Update, and Trends**

- Jurisdictional updates on case law and legislation
- Recent decisions
- How to manage a mediation and special considerations
- Issues related to clergy sexual abuse cases

**Amy Craft, Esq.**, Sinars Slowikowski Tomaska, Seattle, WA  
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**David Inscho, Esq.**, Kline & Specter, Philadelphia, PA  
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**10:00 AM – 11:00 AM: Types of Coverages Potentially Available**

- Comprehensive General Liability (Historic and Current)
- Employment Practices Liability (EPL)
- Sexual Abuse and Molestation Coverage and Exclusions (SAM)
- Professional Liability including Sexual Misconduct Sublimits
- Hospital Professional Liability (HPL) / Medical Liability and Malpractice (MedMal)
- Directors & Officers (D&O)
- Occurrence based coverage versus occurrence reported or claims made coverage
- What underlying claim allegations and facts inform the type of coverage potentially available
- Defense obligation under different types of coverages and for different types of claims
- Status of the coverage litigation and lost policy issues
- Proving the existence and terms of lost policies

**Elizabeth Hanke**, Senior Managing Director, KCIC, Washington, DC  
**Mark Hatley**, Sr. Managing Consultant, Arcina Risk Group, Los Angeles, CA  
**Eve-Lynn Gisonni, Esq.**, Saxe Doernberger & Vita, P.C., Trumbull, CT  
**Kate Vaughn**, Assistant Vice President, PO Claims, The RiverStone Group, Manchester, NH

### **11:00 AM – 11:15 AM: Break (Reception Area)**

### **11:15 AM – 12:15 PM: Ethics**

- Humanizing the litigation
- Ethical rules
- Decorum ethics
- Tripartite relationship

**Michael Appelbaum, Esq.**, Goldberg Segalla, Buffalo, NY  
**Catherine Dickinson, Esq.**, Schlachman, Belsky, Weiner & Davey, Baltimore, MD  
**Brenda Harkavy, Esq.**, Raynes & Lawn, Philadelphia, PA  
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**Sarah G. Klein, Esq.**, Manly, Stewart & Finaldi and Dalton & Associates, P.A., Wilmington, DE

### **12:15 PM – 1:30 PM: Lunch (*on your own*)**

### **1:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Damages, Valuation, Settlements and Verdicts**

- Putting a number to these challenging cases
- What factors do you use?
- Addressing Medical liens in Sexual Abuse Settlements

**Ashley Lynam, Esq.**, Montgomery McCracken & Rhoads LP, Philadelphia, PA  
**Ben Mermelstein, PhD, FCAS**, Partner, High Rock Analytics, Pittsburgh, PA  
**Makeda Murray, MBA**, Bates White Economic Consulting, Washington, DC  
**Danielle Pascale, Esq.**, Tyson & Mendes, New York, NY

### **2:30 PM – 3:30 PM: Early Investigation and Mediation: How to Own the Information**

- Benefits of early investigation and special considerations.
- Interplay between investigator/PR firm/attorney
- Implications for attorney-client privilege work product
- Finding insurance policies to respond to the litigation

**Moderator: Margaret (Peg) Jenks, Esq.**, Reilly McDevitt Henrich, Cherry Hill, NJ  
**Kristen Drake**, President, PolicyFind, Indianapolis, IN  
**Lisa M. Rau, Judge (Ret.)**, Resonate Mediation, Philadelphia, PA  
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**Patrick Shea, CPCU**, Claims Specialist – Asbestos, Pollution & Health Hazards, Allianz Resolution Management, Columbus, OH  
**Hilary Simon, Esq.**, Kennedys, New York, NY

**3:30 PM- 3:45 PM: Break (Reception Area)**  
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**3:45 PM – 4:30 PM: Human Trafficking Litigation**

- Victim advocacy and support: Understanding trauma, supporting survivors, and working with experts

**Theresa Coetzee**, Vice President & Assistant General Counsel, Marriott International Inc., Bethesda, MD  
**Peter A. Gentala, Esq.**, Senior Legal Counsel, National Center on Sexual Exploitation, Washington, D.C.  
**Robert K. Jenner, Esq.**, Jenner Law, Baltimore, MD  
**Deborah Rosenthal**, Senior Claims Consultant, Nationwide, Somerville, NJ

**4:30 PM – 5:00 PM: A View from The Bench**

**Hon. Suzanne Adams**, A.J.S.C., Supreme Court, New York County, Civil Term, New York, NY  
**Tracey McDevitt Hagan, Esq.**, Reilly, McDevitt & Henrich, P.C., Philadelphia, PA  
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**5:00 PM – 6:30 PM: Networking Cocktail Reception (offsite location)**  
**St. Patrick's Bar & Grill, 22 West 46<sup>th</sup> Street**  
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