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# Workers' Compensation West Coast Seminar

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- Examination of emotional intelligence in the world of workers' compensation litigation
- Analysis of current ethical issues and considerations
- Discussions on latest developments as to what constitutes a "working day" or "normal business day" for calculating timelines



Tuesday, October 9, 2018  
Manchester Grand Hyatt  
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current legal trends and hot issues that will challenge the way you defend workers' compensation claims? If so, the DRI Workers' Compensation West Coast Seminar is the event you cannot afford to

miss! This exclusive event will focus on issues of interest for the West Coast workers' compensation stakeholders. The one-day program in advance of Comp Laude® will offer guidance for claims professionals, including Risk Managers, claims adjusters, and employers, as well as workers' compensation attorneys, on emotional intelligence in the world of workers' compensation litigation, current ethical issues and considerations, and discussions on latest developments as to what constitutes a "working day" or "normal business day" for calculating timelines for all things important involving defense of workers' compensation claims.

DRI is the leading organization of defense attorneys and in-house counsel. Membership in DRI provides access to resources and tools for attorneys who strive to provide high-quality, balanced, and excellent services to their clients and corporations. DRI is host to the Workers' Compensation Committee, a forum for those interested and involved in the defense of workers' compensation claims and seeking to learn of the most important issues facing our industry and latest trends and developments.

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## PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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### Registration

1:00 p.m.–1:15 p.m. **Welcome to DRI!**

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**Jennifer Morris Jones**, *Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog LLP*,  
Raleigh, NC

1:15 p.m.–2:15 p.m. **Emotional Intelligence and Empathy in Litigation**

Learn how the components of social competency when applied shorten the duration of claims and lead to better outcomes.

**Jeffrey M. Adelson**, *Managing Partner and General Counsel*,  
*Adelson, Testan, Brundo, Novell & Jimenez*, Santa Ana, CA

2:15 p.m.–2:45 p.m. **Networking Break**

2:45 p.m.–3:30 p.m. **All Work/ No Fun Saturdays(?): Implications of Gomez Decision on the Workers' Compensation System**

Discover what constitutes a "working day" or "normal business day" for calculating the timelines for important workers' compensation deadlines and how the WCAB is eyeing Saturday as a "normal business day."

**Omar A. Behnawa**, *Laughlin, Falbo, Levy & Moresi, LLP*,  
San Diego, CA

**Teresa E. Dietz**, *Laughlin, Falbo, Levy & Moresi, LLP*,  
San Diego, CA

3:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m. **Refreshment Break**

4:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m. **It's No Small Thing! Current Ethical Considerations in Workers' Compensation Claims**

Join this interactive discussion concerning the duty of candor to the tribunal and the practitioners' responsibility to work toward substantial justice, including ethical considerations to manage.

MODERATOR | **Jeffrey M. Adelson**, *Adelson, Testan, Brundo, Novell & Jimenez*, Santa Ana, CA

PANELISTS

**James (Jim) Campbell**, *CPCU, ARM, Crawford & Company*,  
Peachtree Corners, GA

**Diane L. Karpman**, *Karpman & Associates*, Los Angeles, CA

**The Honorable Cliff Levy**, *San Diego Office of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board for the State of California*,  
San Diego, CA

6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m. **WorkCompCentral Comp Laude® Opening Reception**

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