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The Changing Role of Claims Professionals in a World Where Data and Analytics are King • Insurance Update: General Trends in Insurance Claims • The Property Case Law Update • Understanding the Risk, Assessing the Loss and Consideration

Coverage Issues • Business Interruption Reinstatement Claims • Wildfires and Impact on Insurance Coverage Issues • Offshore Wind: What Does the Future Hold to Avoid the Pitfalls of Geotechnical Investigations • Retrospective Look at Hurricane

FEBRUARY 2 – FEBRUARY 4, 2022

**Marriott Harbor Beach Resort
Fort Lauderdale, FL**

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february



agenda

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LEA 2021 Golf Outing and
Education Conference**

September 9 - 10, 2021

Seaview Resort, Galloway, NJ

9:00 – 5:00 pm

REGISTRATION OPENS

Oceanview Terrace

(Weather Permitting)

Grand Ballroom Foyer (Alternate)

8:00 – 5:00 pm

SPEAKER READY ROOM AVAILABLE

Tallahassee Room

(Please note times have been pre-scheduled. If you have not scheduled a time and would like to, please visit the registration desk.)

8:30 am

LEA GOLF EVENT

Jacaranda Golf Club

9200 West Broward Blvd.

Plantation, FL 33324

5:30 – 7:30 pm

OPENING NIGHT RECEPTION

Oceanview Terrace

(Open to All Registered Attendees)



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7:30 – 9:00 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 5:00 pm

REGISTRATION DESK OPEN

Grand Ballroom Foyer

8:00 – 12:00 pm

SPEAKER READY ROOM AVAILABLE

Tallahassee Room

8:00 – 8:45 am

**GENERAL SESSION/
MEMBERS MEETING**

Grand Ballroom E - K

8:00 – 8:05 am

WELCOME/ANTI-TRUST



**COSTANTINO
SURIANO, ESQ.**

Partner
Mound Cotton Wollan & Greengrass LLP

8:05 – 8:15 am

**OPENING REMARKS & INTRODUCTION
OF NEW INCOMING PRESIDENT**



**PAUL
AVILES**

LEA President
Senior Vice President
North American Property Claims Group
Allied World Assurance Company (USA) Inc.

INCOMING PRESIDENT REMARKS



**RAYMOND
MATTIA**

Vice President
Commercial Property Claims
AIG



8:20 – 8:25 am

TREASURER'S REPORT



**JOSE
MOGARTOFF, ARM, AIC**

Director of Energy & Marine Claims
Zurich North America

8:25 – 8:35 am

MEMBERSHIP REPORT



**MARGARET A.
(PEGGY) REILLY**

Edward R. Reilly & Co., Inc.

8:35 – 8:40 am

**CONTINUING EDUCATION &
GOLF REPORT**



**LOUIS D.
MAGNAN, CPA**

J.S. Held

8:40 – 8:50 am

PROGRAM OVERVIEW



**PAUL
CARNOVALE**

LEA Education Chair
Executive General Adjuster
AEGIS Insurance Services, Inc.



8:50 – 9:00 am

**INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE
SPEAKERS**

Grand Ballroom

Introduction



**BRANDON
SWEITZER**

Dean of Maurice R. Greenberg School of Risk Management, Insurance and Actuarial Science (GSRM)
St. John's University

9:00 – 10:00 am

**THE CHANGING ROLE OF CLAIMS
PROFESSIONALS IN A WORLD WHERE
DATA AND ANALYTICS IS KING**

Guest

*Keynote
Speaker*



**MICHAEL
PRITULA**

Managing Director of QualRisk and Vice Chairman of St. John's University's Maurice R. Greenberg School of Risk Management Insurance and Actuarial Science (GSRM)

10:00 – 10:15 am

REFRESHMENT BREAK

Grand Ballroom Foyer

10:15 – 11:15 am

**INSURANCE UPDATE
GENERAL TRENDS IN INSURANCE
CLAIMS**

Claims and Claims Handling-What Concerns the C-Suite

Speaker



**MICHAEL
SMITH**

Senior Vice President & Global Claims Officer
Chubb Group



11:15 – 12:15 pm

THE PROPERTY CASE LAW UPDATE

This session will update you on the most interesting property cases illustrating important trends in several areas, including the latest decisions on policy exclusions, coverage, physical loss, deductibles and sub limits, appraisal, jurisdictional provisions, and other topics. The Property Case Update is not a lecture program.

Moderator



**BILL
WEBSTER, ESQ.**

Partner
Robins Kaplan LLP

Participants



**CHRISTINA
LINCOLN, MLIS**

Associate
Robins Kaplan LLP



**BRANDY
WORDEN, ESQ., CIPP/US,
CIPP/E**

Partner
Robins Kaplan LLP

12:15 – 1:30 pm

LUNCH

Oceanview Terrace

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workshop

(2-Hours)

LEA CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS

1:30 – 3:30 pm **SELECT ONE**

INFRASTRUCTURE: UNDERSTANDING THE RISK, ASSESSING THE LOSS AND CONSIDERATION OF COVERAGE ISSUES

This presentation will feature an in-depth analysis of a hypothetical, complex, multi-state bridge and tunnel infrastructure projects involving a public-private partnership. Presenters will review the scope of the project, review a significant loss scenario, explore the apparent cause of the loss, consider the likely coverage implications under a complicated and multi-layered builders risk program with policy inconsistencies, and discuss the investigative strategies needed to deal with this complex loss.

Moderator



**DAN
MILLEA, ESQ.**

Partner
Zelle LLP

Participants



**DAVID
ALVAREZ, SR.**

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**JEFF
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**FARHOOD
NOWZARTASH, BSC,
MASC, PH.D., CED, PE**

Director, Major Loss, Civil & Structural Engineering
Envista Forensics



workshop

(2-Hours)

BUSINESS INTERRUPTION REINSTATEMENT CLAIMS (THE NEED FOR THEORETICAL TIMELINES)

This session will provide insight into issues that often arise on Business Interruption reinstatement projects and explain what is and is not allowable under common policies. Many insureds do not understand the limit on coverage in policies when insureds reinstate a claim with upgrades and additional works. Professionals advising on reinstatement issues need to understand what is allowable under policies and be able to identify common issues that regularly arise.

Moderator



**ALAN
PURBRICK**

CEO
CCi Integrated Services

Participants



**NICK
CLANCY**

Claims Officer
HDI Global Insurance



**EWAN
CRESSWELL**

Chairman
Integra Technical Services Group



**DUSTIN
DUBOSE, ESQ.**

Partner
Mound Cotton Wollan & Greengrass LLP



workshop

2-Hours

WILDFIRES AND THEIR IMPACT ON INSURANCE COVERAGE ISSUES

The frequency and severity of wildfires has increased exponentially in recent years. We have all seen the footage of wildfires raging in, for example, the Western United States, Canada, and Australia. Wildfires bring with them a range of insurance-related issues, many of which are complex in nature and difficult to effectively address. We will highlight some of those difficult issues, additional living expense and business interruption issues, and civil authorities and code upgrades.

Moderator



**PAUL
FERLAND, ESQ.**

Member
Cozen O'Connor

Participants



**SCOTT
ARMSTRONG**

Executive Vice President
J.S. Held



**TON
VAN EVERDINK**

Senior Claims Manager
Munich Reinsurance America



**MIKE
RIMOLDI, MPA, CBO, CFM**

Senior Project Manager
J.S. Held

3:30 – 3:45 pm

REFRESHMENT BREAK

Grand Ballroom Foyer



workshop

(1-Hour)

CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS (CONT.)

3:45 – 4:45 pm SELECT ONE

OFFSHORE WIND: WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

This offshore wind panel discussion concerns the movement towards offshore wind and renewable energy and its impacts on various classes of insurance and associated claims. The panel will discuss the current timeline for the installation of offshore wind throughout the waters of the United States, the types of turbines which may be installed, and will provide horizon scanning of future impacts of same based on the events experienced from offshore wind installations in other parts of the world. The panel will consist of an offshore wind insurance claims handler, an attorney who has worked with wind and loss adjusters with experience in wind claims.

This session will further discuss the impacts of offshore wind not only concerning the energy and renewables insurance markets but also property, casualty, liability, marine, cargo, builders' risk, business interruption, debt protection insurance, and professional liability lines.

Moderator



**ASHLEY
ALBERTS**

Energy Loss Adjuster
Global Risk Solutions

Participants



**ADAM
HUMPHREY**

CEO
Global Risk Solutions International



**TOM
UPTON**

Claims Manager – Energy, Liability & Terrorism
Markel International



**MATT
JETT, ESQ.**

Shareholder
Hall Maines Lugin, P.C.



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workshop

(1-Hour)

HOW TO AVOID THE PITFALLS OF GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATIONS

Geological and geotechnical investigations of losses may utilize common and established methods for sampling, testing and analysis, but they have limitations. To mitigate the pitfalls from the inherent limitations requires a holistic approach to the investigation which must be integrated with the overall adjustment process. An investigation executed as a parallel activity, or a conventional supplier service will struggle to meet the expectations of the stakeholders. This workshop will explain how an adjuster can recognize if an investigation is appropriate to a loss and what the reasonable expectations are.

This workshop will define the essential components of a geotechnical investigation of a loss so the group is familiar with the terminology and tools.

Participants



**CHRISTOPHER
SNEE**

Forensic Geologist
Sneegeoconsult



**JOSE
MOGARTOFF, ARM, AIC**

Director of Energy & Marine Claims
Zurich North America





workshop

(1-Hour)

RETROSPECTIVE LOOK AT HURRICANE IDA

In a time of ever-increasing natural catastrophes, this session will examine the myriad of issues surrounding the premier Hurricane event of 2021. The uniqueness of this event and the logistical challenges faced by the insurance professional community will be explored. Pre-loss company activities with the purpose of evaluating potential loss exposure will be discussed. This session will also look at loss measurement issues specifically as they relate to Time Element coverages. Come prepare yourself for the next hurricane event.

Moderator



**THOMAS D.
CASSON**

Senior Executive General Adjuster
Lloyd Warwick International

Participants



**JOHN
FOLEY, CPA, CFF**

Partner
MDD Forensics



**JONATHAN
MUTCH**

Partner
Robins Kaplan LLP

5:30 – 7:30 pm

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7:30 – 11:45 am

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Grand Ballroom Foyer

7:30 – 8:30 am

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

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8:30 – 10:30 am

**Repeat of Two-Hour Concurrent Workshops
Select One**

**WORKSHOP 1: INFRASTRUCTURE:
UNDERSTANDING THE RISK,
ASSESSING THE LOSS AND
CONSIDERATION OF COVERAGE ISSUES**

**WORKSHOP 2: BUSINESS INTERRUPTION
REINSTATEMENT CLAIMS (THE NEED
FOR THEORETICAL TIMELINES)**

**WORKSHOP 3: WILDFIRES AND
THEIR IMPACT ON INSURANCE
COVERAGE ISSUES**

10:30 – 11:00 am

REFRESHMENT BREAK

Grand Ballroom Foyer

11:00 – 12:00 pm

**Repeat of One-Hour Concurrent Workshops
Select One**

**WORKSHOP 4: OFFSHORE WIND:
WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD**

**WORKSHOP 5: HOW TO AVOID
THE PITFALLS OF GEOTECHNICAL
INVESTIGATIONS**

**WORKSHOP 6: RETROSPECTIVE
LOOK AT HURRICANE IDA**

12:00 pm

CONFERENCE ADJOURNMENT

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Speaker Biographies



CHRISTINA LINCOLN

Partner
Robins, Kaplan LLP

Christina Lincoln is a Partner with the Los Angeles office of Robins Kaplan LLP, and is a Member of the Insurance and Catastrophic Loss Group. She specializes in representing insurers from across the United States and abroad with first-party property claims involving complex, multi-million-dollar catastrophic losses, including fires, hurricanes, volcanic eruptions, landslides, building collapses, and earthquakes, among others.

Christina advises clients regarding coverage and provides strategic advice under all risk, named perils, and builders' risk policies as well as represents insurers through litigation as trial counsel in both state and federal courts. As a Management Liability Insurance Specialist (MLIS), Christina also specializes in advising and representing insurance company clients with claims under different professional lines/management liability policy packages, with a particular emphasis on Directors and Officers (D&O) liability insurance.

Christina is a Member of the firm's Women in Insurance Industry group, the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee, and the Women of Robins Kaplan (WoRK) working group.



MICHAEL PRITULA

Managing Director, **QualRisk**
Vice Chairman of **St. John's University's Maurice R. Greenberg School of Risk Management, Insurance and Actuarial Science (GSRM)**

Mike Pritula is a Founder and Managing Director of QualRisk, a global data, analytics, and advisory firm serving the insurance industry from offices in New York and London. Prior to QualRisk, Mike was President of Risk Management Solutions (RMS), a leading provider of data, analytics, and modeling to the industry. Prior to his role at RMS, he was a Senior Partner at McKinsey & Company where he led its Global Insurance Practice.

Mike graduated from Princeton University with an honors degree in economics and holds an MBA from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business. He serves on the Boards of the St. John's Greenberg School of Risk Management, the International Insurance Society, The Joyce Ivy Foundation, and New York-Presbyterian Hospital.



MICHAEL SMITH

Senior Vice President & Global Claims Officer
Chubb Group

Michael Smith is Senior Vice President, Chubb Group and Global Claims Officer. He leads the company's claims organization globally and is responsible for all aspects of executive claims management, service and administration for Chubb through its worldwide network of claims offices.

Mr. Smith has more than 30 years of experience in insurance and law. Prior to joining Chubb in 2018, he served in executive leadership roles at American International Group (AIG), most recently as Chief Transformation Officer. During his 17-year career at AIG, Mr. Smith also served as Chief Operating Officer, Global Commercial Insurance; President, Global Financial Lines; President, U.S. Financial Lines; President, Financial Lines Claims; President, Miscellaneous Professional Liability; Chief Underwriting Officer and Miscellaneous Professional Liability. Prior to AIG, Mr. Smith served in executive management roles at XL American Insurance and Zurich US Specialties. Earlier in his career, he worked in private practice specializing in corporate law and also served in-house with GE Capital.

Mr. Smith has a Bachelor of Arts degree in accounting from the College of Business at the University of West Florida and a Juris Doctor degree from Fredric G. Levin College of Law at the University of Florida. He is a trustee of the University of Florida College of Law and a trustee of the Harlem Educational Assistance Fund (HEAF).



BILL
WEBSTER, ESQ.

Partner
Robins Kaplan LLP

Bill Webster joined Robins Kaplan LLP right out of law school in 1988 and is a Partner and a leader in the Insurance and Catastrophic Loss Litigation Group. Bill's practice focuses on commercial property and energy and engineered risks, including coverage analysis and subrogation, dispute resolution, strategic advice, and trial and arbitration work arising from all types of perils and involving a multitude of risks under all risks, named perils, and builders' risk policies. He has litigated in state and federal court throughout the United States as lead counsel on multimillion-dollar, complex disputes.

Over the past 20 years, Bill Webster has handled coverage disputes in commercial property and energy and infrastructure industry claims involving power generation facilities, wind and solar facilities, oil and gas refining, processing, and transport, including pipelines, supply chain interruption and time element issues, underground mines, and construction defects. He also has extensive experience with catastrophic events in production facilities, chemical plants, warehouses, office buildings, and restaurants.



BRANDY
WORDEN, ESQ., CIPP/US, CIPP/E

Partner
Robins Kaplan LLP

Brandy Worden is a Co-Chair of the Cyber Risk Group at Robins Kaplan and a Partner in the Insurance and Catastrophic Loss Litigation Group. Brandy is certified by the preeminent International Association of Privacy Professionals in both US and European privacy law and also has a Harvard Cybersecurity Risk Management certification. Brandy uses her dual insurance and privacy expertise to counsel insurers through highly complex and cutting-edge cyber risks, including proactive counseling on evolving privacy laws and exposures and policy gap analyses. Brandy also counsels'

clients through the claims handling and coverage litigation process and has counseled clients on claims with exposures exceeding \$700M.

Brandy specializes in representing businesses in high impact cyber exposures and Robins Kaplan is also on panel to represent insureds facing cyber incidents. Brandy proactively counsels global clients through privacy compliance and cybersecurity incident response preparedness, including running tabletop exercises and drafting incident response plans. She also represents businesses as a breach coach, should an incident arise, through regulator investigations and privacy litigation.





WORKSHOP 1



DAN
MILLEA, ESQ.

Partner
Zelle LLP

Dan's practice is focused on property insurance, reinsurance and financial services litigation. He has worked with a number of insurers defending coverage actions related to major claims involving property damage, construction/builder's risk issues, business interruption, contingent time element and bad faith claims. He has represented insurers in connection with claims and litigation arising from catastrophic events, including the 9/11 terrorist attack in New York, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the 2011 Japan Earthquake and Tsunami, and the 2011 Thailand Flood. Most recently, he has been retained by commercial property insurers to analyze claims and defend litigation concerning losses attributed to the Covid-19 pandemic. He has also acted as lead counsel in financial services litigation defending against multi-million-dollar claims, including class action claims.



DAVID
ALVAREZ, SR.

Senior Executive General Adjuster
Engle Martin and Associates

David is a Sr. Executive General Adjuster and has been with Engle Martin and Associates for over 15 years. He is responsible for handling complex, commercial property claims mainly in the Construction, Builders Risk, DSU and large commercial property claims arena.

David began his career in 1996 as a bodily injury claims adjuster with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company. During his tenure, he held many positions at Liberty and became a member of the property department in 1998 and began his career handling large commercial property claims including hospitality, industrial, inland marine, cargo, construction and other commercial property claims. In 2006, he came over to Engle Martin and continued honing his skills and continued

to successfully adjust commercial property claims. In 2010, David moved from Charlotte, NC to the Engle Martin office in Fort Lauderdale, FL at which time the landscape of South Florida was full of construction cranes and naturally builders risk claims. Along with the daily routine of construction and complex commercial claims, David has responded to every Catastrophic event since 2000 including Hurricane Katrina, Sandy, Irma, Michael, Ida and many others.

David has an undergraduate degree in Health Science from State University of New York at Cortland.



JEFF MORGAN

**Regional Practice Leader
Energy, Property & Construction Claims NA
AXA XL Insurance Company**

Jeff joined the AXA XL team as Regional Practice Leader located in the NJ/NY area in Spring of 2021. Prior to joining AXA XL, Jeff was an Executive Claim Director on a Complex & Multinational Property Claims Team. In addition to Commercial Property and Builders Risk claims, he has worked on Commercial Property losses & claims in the Manufacturing, Construction, Power Generation/Energy and Petrochemical Industries. He has also worked as a consultant, and as an independent adjuster for domestic and UK based underwriters on claims under policies for general property, cyber and CAT work following Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria in 2017.

Jeff has worked for Primary and Excess Insurers, and a Reinsurance Company on property claims, as well as, casualty claims, litigation management, captive claims management, cyber breach and cyber-security claims and long-tail losses. Jeff's claims experience spans hurricane losses, earthquake, flood, fire, complex loss adjustment & litigation relating to wildfires, PD and BI claims arising from utility gas transmission system explosions, and, in years past, high profile cyber data breach claims, as well as claims & litigation for law firms, Fortune 1000 companies, including major US homebuilders.

Jeff is a graduate of Temple University School of Law and received a Bachelor of Science with Honors, from Northeastern University as an undergrad. Jeff hails from

Pittsburgh and remains an avid Steelers, Penguins and Pirates fan much to the chagrin of his NYC area friends & colleagues.



FARHOOD

**NOWZARTASH, BSC, MASC, PH.D.,
CED, PE**

Director, Major Loss, Civil & Structural
Engineering
Envista Forensics

Dr. Farhood Nowzartash is a globally recognized expert in Civil and Structural Engineering with a focus on infrastructure, commercial and high-rise buildings. He has been instrumental as a lead engineer where he managed the structural design and construction of complex commercial, stadiums, bridges, and high-rise building projects. As a forensic consulting engineer, he is providing analyses following failures involving structures and building systems.

Farhood combines academic strength with real world design and construction expertise. He has been published in various peer-reviewed scientific journals and is a leader in technical assessment of complex civil and structural losses.

WORKSHOP 2



ALAN PURBRICK

CEO
CCi Integrated Services

Alan is the founder and CEO of CCI. His background is in construction and engineering and he became involved in the insurance industry following the IRA bombings of the City of London in 1992 and 1993. Alan is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor and Building Engineer and has over 30 years' experience in global construction projects with 25 of those years against the backdrop of insurance losses.

Alan has undertaken consultancy roles on a number of high profile and complex DSU and BI losses worldwide, and has appeared as an expert witness in the US, UK and Caribbean. He is regarded as one of the leading experts on DSU time related issues.

Alan appeared as an expert delay and cost professional in the Technology & Construction Court (TCC) in London, arbitrations in the USA and has been involved in the largest time delay claims throughout the world, including USA, Taiwan, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Europe, Australia, Chile, Brazil, India and Oman. Widely held by the global insurance market as one of the few Delay in Start Up and Business Interruption timeline experts operating today.



NICK CLANCY

Claims Officer
HDI Global Insurance

Nick began his career as an independent adjuster spending eight years in the field with GAB and CJW with Florida territories from West Palm Beach to Key West. He joined CIGNA/ACE in Philadelphia, first in Assumed Reinsurance (eight years), then Ceded Reinsurance (two years), before going back to direct large loss claims handling (five years).

Nick went to Swiss Re for eight years in their Zurich, Switzerland home office and supervised the international claims branches while personally handling some of their largest claims in Europe, Middle East, Asia, and Australia. Nick is currently with HDI Global Insurance in Chicago serving as claims officer over all property lines and continues to handle large, challenging claims.

Nick has the unique experience of direct and reinsurance claims, in all lines of property, in the USA and most major international markets.



EWAN M. CRESSWELL

Chairman
Integra Technical Services Group

After beginning professional life as a graduate chartered quantity surveyor (cost engineer) in the UK, Ewan made the move from construction project management to loss adjusting in 1979. He subsequently served at board level

with a number of the major international adjusting houses before taking the decision in 1998 to establish Integra Technical Services, which now operates globally in the area of technical and complex claims and risk services.

For the last 38 years, Ewan has worked internationally in most continents of the World, from a London base, on behalf of the North American London Market, and European principals, handling some of the largest physical damage and business interruption losses, including Oil, Gas & Petrochemicals, Mining, Power Generation and Construction with Delay in Start Up, where he has pioneered the management of this area of claim exposure on major EAR & CAR risks.

Ewan has worked on numerous large and technically challenging claims with many of the major global corporations including numerous individual losses exceeding US\$1Bn in value.



**DUSTIN
DUBOSE, ESQ.**

Partner
Mound Cotton Wollan & Greengrass LLP

Based in Houston, Texas, Dustin DuBose is a partner at Mound Cotton and represents the firm's "southern" presence and "local knowledge" for the United States' Southeastern region. He primarily represents domestic and international insurers in first-party coverage disputes. Mr. DuBose consults with domestic and international insurers and insurance markets regarding coverage for multimillion-dollar claims and the claims-handling process, primarily in the energy, builder's risk, and commercial property sectors. He has handled litigation, arbitration, mediation, and claim-settlement negotiations on behalf of insurers involving property damage and time element claims, construction and delay claims, indemnity, liability, and bad faith/statutory claims-handling violations, ranging from claims with less than \$1 million in dispute to claims with over \$1 billion at issue.

He is admitted to Texas, Florida, and Mississippi state and federal bars, and the Fifth Circuit United States Court of Appeals. From Mound Cotton's Texas office, Mr. DuBose supervises Houston-based Mound Cotton attorneys and is prepared, with short notice, to respond to coverage issues, wherever they arise in the region.

WORKSHOP 3



**PAUL
FERLAND, ESQ.**

Member
Cozen O'Connor

Paul Ferland represents national and international insurance carriers in complex first-party property insurance coverage and bad faith disputes during the claims process, mediations, arbitrations, and litigation. He advises and defends clients with regard to the multifaceted issues that arise from damage to property, including natural disasters, explosions, fires, and defective design, material, or workmanship. Paul has developed a special focus on the energy sector generally and renewable energy specifically.



**SCOTT
ARMSTRONG**

Executive Vice President
J.S. Held

Scott Armstrong is an Executive Vice President at J.S. Held with over 25 years of experience in equipment loss consulting related to high technology equipment and systems. He specializes in damage assessment, equipment recovery solutions, repair versus replacement analysis, comparable replacement analysis, production mitigation solutions, and claims analysis surrounding technology-related issues.

During his professional career, Scott has evaluated a wide variety of equipment and systems including, but not limited to, semiconductor (wafer fabrication) equipment, information technology equipment, medical systems, telecommunication equipment & outside plant infrastructure, mechanical equipment, industrial equipment, specialized electronic systems, aerospace, and laboratory / scientific systems. Scott has consulted on many of the largest and most complex catastrophic insurance claims in history, including the 1993 and 2001 terrorist attacks at the World Trade Center, Northridge Earthquake, Nisqually, Earthquake, Hurricane Katrina, Cyclone Gonu, the Japan Earthquake of 2011,

Thailand Floods, Superstorm Sandy, 2021 Texas Winter Storm, and Hurricanes Ike, Harvey, Irma, Laura, and Ida. Scott was President and Owner of Werlinger & Associates, which was acquired in 2019 by J.S. Held. Scott, along with the Werlinger team, provided equipment loss consulting throughout North America, Europe, Asia, and the Middle East to carriers on property damage claims.



TON VAN EVERDINK

Senior Claims Manager
Munich Reinsurance America

Ton Van Everdink has over 20 years' experience in the (re) insurance industry. He started his career as a loss prevention representative working with Industrial Risk Insurers in the United States, undertaking surveys of petrochemical, automobile, steel and power plants before continuing with this work in Europe and the Middle East.

Ton continued working as a Risk Management Consultant with insurance broker Sedgwick, based out of Amsterdam and Boston for clients in the mining, power generation and oil industries in Europe and the United States. He subsequently became a facultative energy underwriter specializing in the oil, gas, mining and power industries at Munich American Risk Partners and headed the Nairobi office as client manager for East Africa and the center of competence for engineering in sub-Saharan Africa.

From June 2010 to January 2021, Ton has undertaken the role of Senior Claims Manager with Munich Re's Corporate Insurance Partner division in Munich, mainly dealing with refinery, petro-chemical, mining and power claims. Since February 2021, Ton works for Munich Re of America and heads the Property Coordination Unit. His responsibilities include reporting on Catastrophe losses and large Facultative & Corporate claims.





MIKE
RIMOLDI, MPA, CBO, CFM

Senior Project Manager
J.S. Held

Mike is a Senior Project Manager with J.S. Held and serves as the lead for building codes and floodplain management aspects for the organization. He is a licensed Building Official, Certified Floodplain Manager and licensed Building Contractor with over 35 years in the industry. He holds numerous International Code Council Certifications and is currently a Ph.D. Candidate at the University of South Florida in Tampa. He is a credited reviewer of several FEMA publications and has taught classes nationwide and in three of the US Territories on a variety of subjects related to building codes, floodplain management and construction.

WORKSHOP 4



ASHLEY
ALBERTS

Energy Loss Adjuster
Global Risk Solutions

Ashley Alberts is an Energy Loss Adjuster in the Houston office of GRS' Complex Claims Solutions division. Ashley has more than 10 years of energy loss adjusting experience managing and assisting on a variety of complex energy claims including physical damage, control of well, pollution remediation and general liability.



MATT
JETT

Shareholder
Hall Maines Lugin, P.C.

Matt is a Shareholder at the law firm Hall Maines Lugin, P.C., which has offices in Houston, Texas, London and the United Kingdom. Matt's practice focuses on energy, property,

casualty, and liability insurance related matters where he analyzes coverage issues, provides first and third-party liability defense and subrogates on behalf of insurers. Matt is a lifelong Texan and resides near Houston, Texas with his wife Megan, his son Caleb, and his daughter Madelyn.



ADAM HUMPHREY

CEO
Global Risk Solutions

Adam is an Executive Officer for GRS International with more than two decades of experience managing technical and complex insurance claims worldwide. Adam is a Chartered Loss Adjuster, Fellow of both the Chartered Insurance Institute (CII) and the Chartered Institute of Loss Adjusters (CILA). He sits on the CILA's Council and is the Chairman of their Construction, Energy and Engineering Special Interest Groups.



TOM UPTON

Claims Manager – Energy, Liability & Terrorism
Markel International

Tom started his career in insurance on the Lloyd's Claim's Graduate Scheme, before managing the Energy, Liability and Terrorism Claims Team at Markel International. Tom sits on the Joint Energy Claims Group, through which he is actively involved in updating the Lillehammer Terms of Engagement and the EED wordings. Tom is currently running the innovation project for Claims at Markel.



WORKSHOP 5



CHRISTOPHER SNEE

Forensic Geologist
Sneegeoconsult

Christopher Snee is a Chartered Engineer, Chartered Scientist, and a Certified Professional Geologist with 40 years of experience in engineering geology, tunnels, and mining for owners, contractors and designers. Based in New York, London, and Santiago, Chris works worldwide with emphasis on Central and South America.

Chris carries out root cause investigations of losses with geological and construction related causes, damaged, defective, and collapsed tunnels, excavations, and dams, and provides repair, recovery, and mitigation solutions. Chris has investigated some of the most significant tunnel losses in recent times, most recently the Ituango hydropower project in Colombia. As well as investigating losses, Chris carries out geological and construction risk surveys, gives expert opinion on differing site conditions, the cause and effect of adverse ground conditions, expert reports, depositions, and testimony in arbitration and court.

Chris has received assignments and scholarships for research and technology transfer from the Royal Society, the British Council, the Health and Safety Executive (UK), the British Geological Survey, Yangtze River Scientific Research Institute (PRC), and Universiti Teknologi Malaysia.



JOSE MOGARTOFF, ARM, AIC

Director of Energy & Marine Claims
Zurich North America

Jose Mogartoff has more than 29 years' experience in the international insurance market primarily in the Property, Energy and Engineering line of businesses. Jose's joined Zurich NA in July 2012 and currently holds the position of Head of Energy & Marine Claims for North America.

In addition to managing the ZNA Energy claims group, Jose provides technical support and management for large Energy claims in Latin America. Jose's past claims handling and management experience includes a Global Energy leadership role with Liberty International (LIU) and formerly with AIG.

Jose started his insurance career as an independent adjuster and then as an account executive for Marsh in Peru, concentrating on the energy, property and engineering market segments. He then moved to New York where he managed and provided supervision on large complex energy claims worldwide with emphasis in Latin America first with AIG and then Liberty International. Jose speaks fluent Spanish and Portuguese and has a strong working knowledge of the Latin American insurance market.

WORKSHOP 6



**THOMAS D.
CASSON**

Senior Executive General Adjuster
Lloyd Warwick International

Tom began his insurance career in 1985 when he joined Alexis Risk Management as an Examiner/Adjuster. He then moved to Utica Mutual as a Liability Examiner and Property Adjuster from 1986 to 1989. Tom accepted the role of General Adjuster with Toplis & Harding in 1989 leaving in 1992 to work for American International Underwriters (AIU) where he was responsible for Large Domestic and International Losses. In 1995, Tom joined Thomas Howell Group where he remained following the acquisition by Crawford and Company. Tom worked for Crawford's Technical group where he handled a myriad of Complex, Energy and Energy related losses around the world. Before leaving Crawford in 2006, Tom was an Executive General Adjuster/Managing Director.

In 2006 Tom was approached by AIG to head up claims for the newly formed AIG's Global Marine and Energy group eventually becoming a Zonal Vice President with responsibilities for all Energy and Energy related claims for all the Americas. During his time at AIG Tom also worked on the concept for the creation of an internal claims services group for AIG for what would become known as AIG Property Claims

Field Group. Once approved, Tom assumed responsibility for management of this newly formed group including the hiring of a management team and adjusters. Then in mid-2020 Tom accepted a role as a Senior Executive General Adjuster with independent adjusting firm McLarens/Lloyd Warwick where he remains today.



**JOHN
FOLEY, CPA, CFF**

Partner
MDD Forensics Accountants

John is a forensic and investigative accounting professional with forty years of experience. He is an expert at quantifying damages as they apply to business interruption, extra expenses, physical damages, fraud, products liability & recall, lost profits, and catastrophe services matters.

John has worked across a wide range of industries, including chemical manufacturing, construction, mining, entertainment, steel, food processing, lumber, telecommunications, petrochemicals, pharmaceuticals, medical services, and energy. He has provided expert witness testimony in Federal and state courts and has assisted lawyers in breach of contract cases and arbitrations. He has also conducted numerous seminars and workshops on topics such as insurance values.

John joined MDD Forensic Accountants' New York office in 1981. As one of the firm's senior partners, he is a long-time member of MDD's U.S. and Global Executive Committees. He graduated from Pace University with a Bachelor of Science degree.



**JONATHAN
MUTCH**

Partner
Robins Kaplan LLP

Jonathan Mutch graduated with honors from Boston University School of Law in 1996 and joined Robins Kaplan LLP in early 2001. He is a Senior Partner in the firm's

Insurance and Catastrophic Loss Litigation Group. Jon has over twenty-five years' experience in large loss insurance coverage matters. He has litigated matters ranging from Y2K, to the Twin Towers litigation, to flood and catastrophe claims, and current Covid-19 disputes.

Jon has litigated in state and federal courts nationwide, regularly representing insurers in high-profile, first-party property coverage disputes, bad faith actions, and recovery matters. Jon's practice includes providing advice to insurers on policy wording and new form development. He also defends product testing and certification companies against claims of engineering negligence and business practice disputes and has served as a National Coordinating Counsel on various matters for one of his firm's largest clients.

Jon's cases have included losses at commercial property, manufacturing, pharmaceutical, power generation, transportation, and warehouse operations. He has litigated issues such as the meaning of physical loss or damage, whether a first-party property policy must pay expenses to mitigate the mere "risk" of damage, application of faulty workmanship exclusions, process and contamination exclusions, fraud in the presentation of a claim, and many time element coverage matters.











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