



2024

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35th Annual

Northeast Surety & Fidelity Claims Conference

EVENT DATES

September 18 - 20, 2024

EVENT LOCATION

The Ocean Casino Resort

500 Boardwalk

Atlantic City, NJ 08401

Tel: 609-783-8000

RATE: Starting at \$124/Night

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FINAL RESERVATION DATE:

HOTEL RESERVATION MUST BE MADE

BY SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

ATTENDANCE FEE:

NO FEE FOR INVITEES

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CALLING THE HOTEL DIRECTLY.

PROGRAM DETAILS

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

Welcome Reception - 7:00pm (Makai)

Dinner - 7:30pm (Makai)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2024

Breakfast - 8:00am to 8:55am (Ocean Pre-Function Area)

Conference

Morning Session - 9:00am to 12:30pm (Ocean A, B, C & D)

Lunch - 12:30pm to 2:00pm (Ocean Pre-Function Area)

Afternoon Session - 2:00pm to 5:00pm (Ocean A, B, C & D)

Cocktail Reception - 6:30pm (Balcony Bar)

Dinner - 7:30pm (Sky View)

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

Breakfast - 8:00am to 8:45am (Ocean Pre-Function Area)

Conference - 8:45am to 11:00am (Ocean A, B, C & D)

Friday Afternoon Golf Activity - Information to be sent separately

Friday Afternoon Non-Golf Event - Information to be sent separately

Cocktail Reception - 7:30pm (Knife & Fork)

Dinner - 8:00pm (Knife & Fork)

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

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**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2024
MORNING SESSION
MODERATOR: MICHAEL J. SUGAR, III**

9:00am - 9:05am - Program Welcome

9:05am-9:45am

Topic: Is There Is Continuing Duty To Investigate A Payment Bond Claim After Either The Claim Is Denied By The Surety Or After Litigation Is Filed By The Claimant

Speaker: Matthew Horowitz, Neubert, Pepe & Monteith, PC

Speaker: Kristi Sordillo, IAT Insurance Group

9:45am-10:45am

Topic: Discussion of Surety Related Ethics Issues

Speaker: Cynthia Rodgers-Waire, Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP

10:45am-11:00am - Break

11:00am-11:45am

Topic: Defalcation: The Surety's Pursuit of the Bankrupt Indemnitor for Non-Dischargeable Debt

Speaker: Brian H. Fischkin, Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi PC

Speaker: Morgan Fletcher, Chubb

11:45am-12:30pm

Topic: Mastering Risk Factors for Renewable Energy Projects So You're Not Just Tilting at Windmills

Speaker: Christopher Brasco & Greg Wagner, Watt Tieder Hoffar & Fitzgerald, LLP

12:30pm-2:00pm - Lunch

**THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2024
AFTERNOON SESSION
MODERATOR: DARREN GRZYB**

2:00pm-2:30pm

Topic: The Davis Bacon Act and Recent Changes

Speaker: Michael Stover, Wright, Constable & Skeen, LLP

Speaker: Frank Davis, United Fire Group

Speaker: Tracy McKenna, Liberty Mutual Surety

2:30pm-3:00pm

Topic: Update on the Law of Probate Bonds

Speaker: Jack Richard, Krebs Farley LLC

Speaker: Connie Boudreau, Liberty Mutual Surety

CONFERENCE AGENDA CONT.

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2024
MODERATOR: DARREN GRZYB
CONT.

3:00pm-3:30pm

Topic: Financing a Principal

Speaker : Michael Sugar III, Forcon International

Speaker: Gene Sawyer, Liberty Mutual Surety

3:30pm-3:45pm - Break

3:45pm - 4:15pm

Topic: Known Underbids - Is There a Surety Defense When Things Go Wrong?

Speaker: Duane A. Daiker & Robert R. Warchola, Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP

Speaker: Jennifer Schildbach, Liberty Mutual Surety

4:15pm - 5:00pm

Topic: Claims Tips from Battle-Scarred Veterans

Speaker: Armen Shahinian & Jon Bondy, Chiesa Shahinian & Giantomasi, PC

Speaker: Christine "Chris" Alexander, Arch Insurance Company

Speaker: Derek Popeil, Chubb

Speaker: Robert Lavitt, Amynta Surety Solutions

Speaker: Terry Dahl, Intact Insurance

Speaker: Christopher Morkan, Hudson Insurance

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2024
MODERATOR: CHRISTOPHER BRASCO

8:45am - 11:00am

Topic: Case Study

Speaker: Christopher Brasco, Watt Tieder Hoffar & Fitzgerald, LLP

11:00am - 11:05am - Closing Remarks

THIS CONFERENCE HAS APPLIED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

CE CREDITS - FL, TX

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FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT DANIELLE PEYNADO AT DPEYNADO@FORCON.COM

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