

# 2020 Primerus Defense Institute Virtual Fall Seminar Coverage and Litigation in a Covid-19 World

## Session I: Thursday, November 5, 2020

12:00pm ET *Updates on Coverage Considerations in a SARS-CoV-2/COVID-19 World*Presented By:

- <u>Eric Brenneman</u> Demler, Armstrong & Roland, LLP (San Francisco, California)
- <u>Clay Crawford</u> Foland, Wickens, Roper, Hofer & Crawford, P.C. (Kansas City, Missouri)
- <u>Jerome Doctors</u> Lynberg & Watkins, APC (Los Angeles, California)
- <u>Kevin O'Connor</u> Hermes, Netburn, O'Connor & Spearing, P.C. (Boston, Massachusetts)
- Wendy Schultz Lynberg & Watkins, APC (Los Angeles, California)
- <u>Dale Thornsjo</u> O'Meara, Leer, Wagner, & Kohl, P.A. (Minneapolis, Minnesota)
- <u>Sid Degan</u> Degan, Blanchard & Nash, PLC (New Orleans, Louisiana)

#### 1:00pm ET **Breakout Sessions**

- Selected Medical, Scientific and Regulatory Literature
- Direct Physical Loss Requirements and Other Coverage Issues
- Third-Party Coverage Considerations in Novel Coronavirus Cases
- Assessing the Application of CGL Pollution Exclusions to SARS-CoV-2 Claims and Number of Occurrences For COVID-19 Litigation

1:30pm ET Wrap Up and Conclusion



### Session II: Friday, November 6, 2020

12:00pm ET Jury Trials, Jurors, and Reptile Theory – What Now?

Presented By:

- <u>Richard Gabriel</u> Decision Analysis, Inc. (Los Angeles, California)
- Christian Stegmaier Collins & Lacy, P.C. (Columbia, South Carolina)
- Thomas Paschos Thomas Paschos & Associates, P.C. (Haddonfield, New Jersey)

#### 1:00pm ET **Breakout Sessions**

- What carriers should be doing in terms of litigation preparation in these challenging times?
  - Mark DiGiovanni Global Indemnity Group, Inc. (Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania)
- Pre-trial preparation taking into account the age of Covid, and current social, political and economic factors. Where we think courts are going in terms of jury trials (in terms of jurisdiction)- virtual, live or hybrid trails? What are jury pools going to look like?
  - Richard Gabriel Decision Analysis, Inc. (Los Angeles, California)
- Strategies for Defense counsel in this new world (to combat reptile or new juror attitudes); with focus on Use of Technology in Trials/Hearings
  - <u>Christian Stegmaier</u> Collins & Lacy, P.C. (Columbia, South Carolina)
  - <u>Thomas Paschos</u> Thomas Paschos & Associates, P.C. (Haddonfield, New Jersey)

### 1:30pm ET Wrap Up and Conclusion