

Thursday, January 22, 2026

1:30 – 4:45 p.m.

Workers' Compensation Section

3.0 MCLE Credit Hours

Supreme Court Commission on CLE Course #: 260130

Room Location: 100-101

Staying in the Know- Trends and Current Issues Facing Workers' Compensation Practitioners Today

The focus of this program is to keep all workers' compensation practitioners on both the defense and claimant side updated on all current trends issues facing the practice today from new guidelines regarding Medicare Set Asides to transitional duty to new obstacles to settling cases in mediation and case law and legislative updates for all pending and proposed legislation affecting workers' compensation practitioners. Commissioner Beck will present observations from the Commission's viewpoint with regard to do's and don't's when trying a case to new arguments currently being brought before the Commission.

Agenda

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| 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. | In the Know- Current Trends, Issues & Obstacles Facing Workers' Compensation Practitioners

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Dewana Looper, Esq.
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| 2:30 – 3:15 p.m. | What's New with MSAs: The New Guidelines of Medicare Set Asides

Daniel Hayes
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| 3:15 – 3:30 p.m. | Break |

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Legislative Update

Kristian Cross
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View from the Commission: Thoughts and Observations

Commissioner Cynthia Dooley
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4:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Case Law Update

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