

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Barnes & Thornburg And Willis Towers Watson Seminar: Insurance Coverage & Claims In Construction Projects

DATE

October 16, 2018
Registration: 8:30 a.m.
(Central) Seminar: 9:30 -
11:30 a.m.

LOCATION

Willis Towers Watson
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SPEAKERS



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Join attorneys from Barnes & Thornburg's Construction Law and Insurance Recovery and Counseling Practice Groups and experts from the Construction & Surety practice of Willis Towers Watson for an informative program featuring the following topics:

2.25 Illinois CLE Credits Pending

9:00 - 9:20 am: Construction Defects - The Threshold "Occurrence" Issue

This program will provide an update on how the various state courts are resolving the key threshold "occurrence" issue in connection with insurance claims seeking coverage for construction defects. The discussion will also address how you should approach and attempt to resolve construction defect claims and disputes, including through the use of alternative dispute resolution methods.

Barnes & Thornburg Presenter: Clif Shapiro

9:20 - 9:40 am: Key Construction Claim Exclusions

This program will delve further into insurance coverage for construction defect claims by focusing on certain key insurance policy exclusions that can apply in connection with these claims.

Barnes & Thornburg Presenter: Andrea Warren

9:40 - 10:00 am: Risk Allocation Provisions in AIA and Other Construction Contracts

Indemnification, insurance and limitation of liability provisions are used in many contracts to allocate risk. The new AIA forms may bring renewed focus on these issues. This presentation will address key issues for negotiating,

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interpreting and enforcing these important clauses in any construction contract.

Barnes & Thornburg Presenter: Ken Gorenberg

10:00 - 10:20 am: Drones in Construction—Risk and Legal Issues

Drone use in construction is becoming more common and will only increase. As with any beneficial new technology, there are also risk and legal considerations. Can insurance coverage be found under existing forms like the CGL or is a standalone aviation liability policy needed? How should the use of drones by subcontractors be addressed? This presentation will address these issues and provide guidance on how best to structure an insurance program accordingly.

Presenter: Andy Taylor, Construction and Government Contracting Division, Willis Towers Watson

10:20 - 10:30 am: Break

10:30 - 11:10 am: Identifying and Addressing Risk, and Implementing Risk Mitigation and Claims Strategies

What are the primary drivers for subcontractor default and how can you mitigate and manage risk most effectively? In this engaging presentation, you will learn about the “red flags” to be on the lookout for on project cost reports, how to confirm if the subcontractor is meeting contractual requirements and best practices for risk management throughout the project life cycle.

Presenters: Justin Burgos, Client Advocate, Willis Towers Watson, Joe Castellano, Global Head, Willis Towers Watson,

11:10 - 11:30 am: Panel Discussion and Q&A

Our stable of presenters will round out the seminar by presenting a hypothetical risk scenario to the audience and discussing the best course of action to remedy to problem

Questions? Contact Beth Tap at bethany.tap@willistowerswatson.com or (312) 288-7888.