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A Workers' Compensation Exchange of Ideas and Solutions to Meet Current Challenges

Spring Conference Philadelphia, PA

April 27, 2022 Cocktail Reception

April 28, 2022 Conference

The all-day conference will be held at

Hilton Philadelphia at Penn's Landing
201 South Columbus Blvd., Phila., PA 19106

The cocktail reception is from 5 - 7:30 p.m.
at the same location.

Live music presented by John Pszwaro!

Register for this event at www.NWCDN.com
under the seminar tab by April 22, 2022

Hotel reservations can be made on line
by clicking the following link:

Book your group rate for NWCDN 2022

This event is open to NWCDN member firms
and their invited guests only.

There is no charge for this event.

After years of separation, this conference is designed as an interactive educational event. In planning our agenda we focused on topics to bring everyone together to learn from both our speakers and one another.

We want all of our attendees to share questions you have had, answers you have learned and antidotes that make us laugh and scratch our head which you have been wanting to share in person with other industry professionals.

We are very proud and honored to have the experts who have agreed to speak at this, the NWCDN's first in-person conference since 2019. Our agenda was designed to have something for everyone and each topic is relevant to our day-to-day profession.

The doors are open - Welcome to the NWCDN

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Concrete Answers for Real World Workers' Compensation Issues

The National Workers' Compensation Defense Network (NWCDN) is a unique and dynamic organization consisting of attorneys representing over 45 states and Canada. We sponsor a cutting-edge seminar which addresses incisive topics that are timely to the business of Workers' Compensation. NWCDN proudly invites you to this April's conference at the Hilton Philadelphia at Penns Landing. The theme of the conference is "Philadelphia Freedom." Our speakers will address complex issues - all with a foothold on today, and an eye on tomorrow.

This is a seminar like no other.
We hope you can join us – a spot-on venue, a spot-on conference.

FEATURED SPEAKERS



Max Koonce
Chief Claims Officer
Sedgwick



Caryl Russo, Ph.D.
Senior Vice President
RWJBarnabas Health



**Kenneth Kutner, PhD,
ABPP-CN**
Clinical Assistant Professor of Neuropsychology
Weill Cornell Medicine- Cornell University



Sarah Sherman
Assistant General Counsel
Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services



Robert Wilson
President & CEO
WorkersCompensation.com, LLC

SEMINAR OVERVIEW

April 28, 2022

8:15 – 8:50 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

Event Moderators: Lora Northen - Partner - Capehart Scatchard, New Jersey Member
John Ellis - Partner - Heckler & Frabizzio - Delaware Member

8:50 – 9:00 a.m. Welcome Remarks

Bruce Hamilton – President NWCDN
Partner - Teague Campbell – North Carolina Member

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. The Anatomy of a National Award Winning Worker's Compensation Program

Caryl Russo, Ph.D. - Senior Vice President - RWJBarnabas Health

Ms. Russo will discuss the journey she and her team travelled to bring the workers' compensation program she oversees at RWJBarnabas Health to be named a recipient of the national Ted-

bas Health workers' compensation program, reduce workplace injuries and decrease overall workers' compensation costs across the system. Caryl will discuss the steps that were taken and continue to be taken as their healthcare system expands to maintain the level of excellence and the self-evaluation and proactive procedures that have been put into place to consistently achieve the highest level of excellence for employees and the work environment.

10:00 - 10:50 a.m. The View From the Top: A Conversation With Bob Wilson

Robert Wilson - President & CEO - WorkersCompensation.com, LLC

Nicholas A. Dibble - Partner - Capehart Scatchard - New Jersey Member

Enjoy a candid conversation with Bob Wilson as to how the workers' compensation industry changed (and has not changed) in the past two years and what to expect going forward. Bob will discuss the "great tsunami" of pending retirements as well as how companies can address

also address how the industry may need to adapt to the rise in the minimum wage and how it interesting/funny changes in the comp law and cases he has seen as well.

10:50 – 11:00 a.m. Networking Break – Visit With Vendors



11:00 a.m. – Noon

The Evolution of the Workers' Compensation System and What May / Should Be Considered for its Future

In this session we will discuss how workers' compensation has evolved since its inception, what pinch points have occurred in that evolution and what may/should be considered for the future. Some points to consider:

Are we beginning to incorporate social risks into the workers' compensation arena?

employer?

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

From Out-House to In-House: Lessons Learned in Managing Professional Relationships

Sarah B. Sherman - Assistant General Counsel - Maxim Healthcare

Albert B. Randall, Jr. - Principal - Franklin & Prokopik, P.C. Maryland, Virginia and Washington D.C. Member

Participate in our frank discussion involving attorney-client relationships: what do we need from each other to get better results and make our jobs easier? Join Sarah Sherman, who recently transitioned from private practice to an in-house counsel position, as she shares insight gained from being on both sides of the attorney-client relationship. We will also discuss how recent events have helped shape our expectations of each other going forward. Bring your thoughts to share with the group!

2:00 -3:00 p.m.

The Mystery of Closed Head Injuries and Concussions Revealed

Kenneth Kutner, PhD, ABPP-CN - Clinical Assistant Professor
Neuropsychology Weill Cornell Medicine - Cornell University

the evaluation and treatment of sports concussions. He has been the team neuropsychologist for the New York Giants for 28 seasons (1994-present), and is integrally involved in the development of their Concussion Management Protocol. Dr. Kutner will discuss the diagnosis and treatment of closed head injuries and concussions. Learn from the lead author of the *Sideline Concussion Checklist* explains how and why the checklist was developed and its application to claims for injuries in the workplace. Take this opportunity to learn from one of the “giants” in the industry how to approach the head injury claims that are so problematic in the workers’ compensation world.

3:00 – 3:10 p.m.

Networking Break – Visit With Vendors

3:10 – 4:00 p.m.

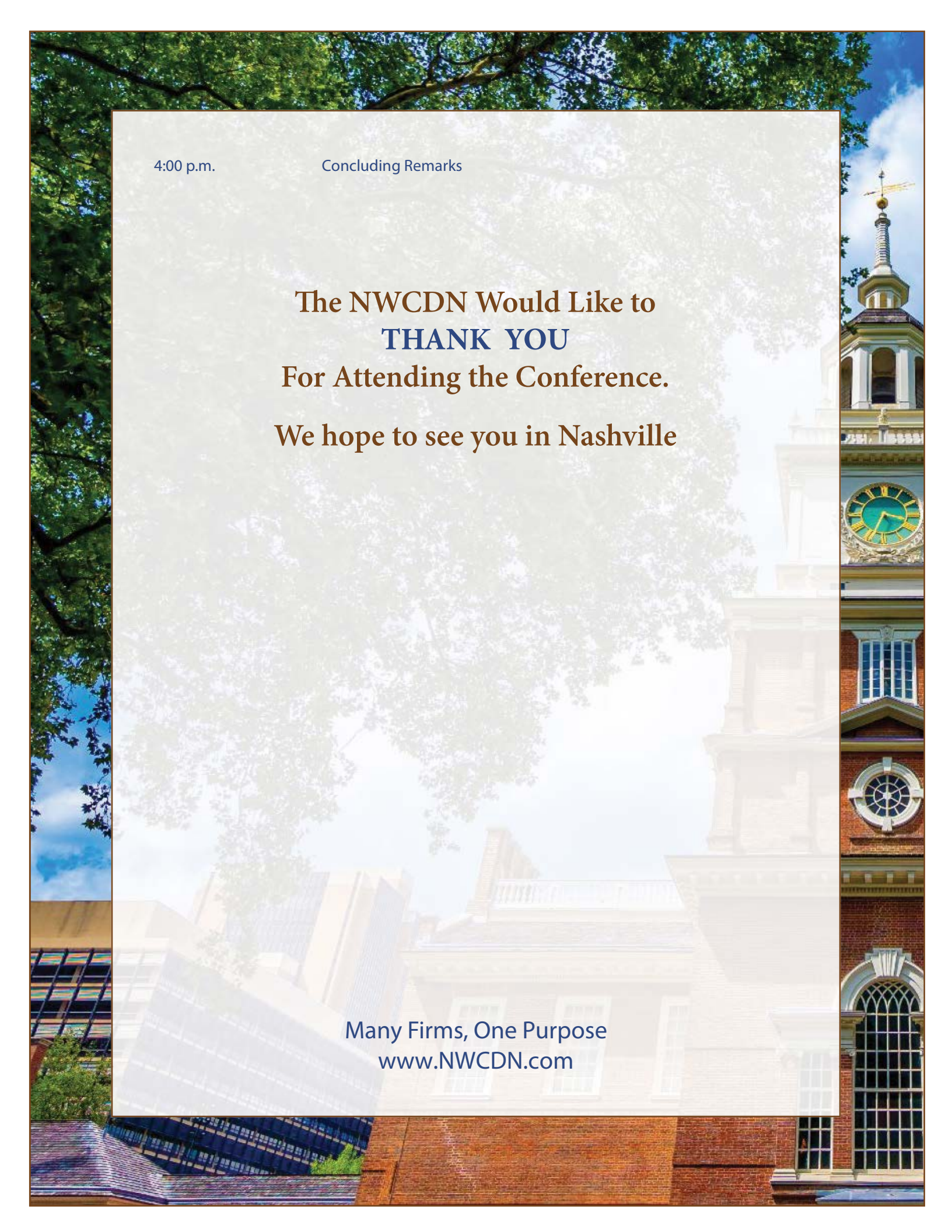
The Dos And Don’ts of Handling Claims – An Interactive Discussion With a Panel of Industry Experts.

William Abate - Corporate Risk & Safety Manager - Holman Enterprises, Inc.

Lisa Thompson - Workers’ Compensation Claims Manager - Campbell’s

Moderator: Lora V. Northen - Partner - Capehart Scatchard - New Jersey Member

This panel of experts will discuss their secrets (and what is behind the secrets) of what works and what does not work when handling claims. They bring to the table their many years of experience and will share everything from initiating a claim and communicating with the injured worker, what to expect of your counsel, your medical providers and expectations you have with your vendors and key communication points. This will be an interactive discussion so bring your questions and ideas as well as your best and worse stories to share with our panelists and your fellow attendees.

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4:00 p.m.

Concluding Remarks

The NWCDN Would Like to
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For Attending the Conference.
We hope to see you in Nashville

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