

THE MEDIATION MINEFIELD: RESOLVING THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS WHEN COVERAGE IS CONTESTED

MONDAY, JUNE 23RD, 2025

Registration: 11:30 PM | Program: 12:00PM - 1:00PM

When insurers defend under a reservation of rights, third-party claims become a mediation minefield—raising thorny issues of control, consent, and exposure on both sides. Join three seasoned professionals—policyholder counsel, carrier counsel, and a mediator—for a candid, practical discussion of key issues such as:

- -What ethical and strategic dilemmas do policyholder and carrier counsel face?
- -When and how should carriers interact with third-party plaintiffs?
- -How can policyholders and carriers negotiate realistically in the shadow of the bad faith bogeyman?
- -What happens when one defendant's coverage position is stronger than another's?
- -Who benefits from mediation confidentiality—and who doesn't?

Designed for both policyholder-side and carrier-side coverage lawyers—and for the mediators who work with them—this session goes beyond the basics to tackle real-world challenges and offer practical solutions.

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Non-OCBA Member Attorney:	\$70

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