

Professional Liability Insurance Issues for Solo & Small Firms

April 25, 2019, Noon-1:30 p.m.

WMU Cooley Law School, 2630 Featherstone Road, Room 145, Auburn Hills

Please join us for a panel discussion on professional liability insurance and risk management best practices for solo and small firm lawyers. Our panelists include the President & CEO of one of Michigan's leading professional liability insurance agencies, a practice management advisor for the State Bar with prior experience as a carrier's legal liability claims director, and the Chair of a distinguished law firm's Professional Liability Practice Group. Gain valuable perspectives on common professional liability exposures, how to best protect against them, and how you can effectively work with your carrier should you ever face a claim against you or your firm. Mark your calendars for April 25th, no pre-registration required.

Cost: FREE to Solo & Small Firm Section Members and Current WMU Cooley Students; \$35 to non-members payable by check made out to the State Bar of Michigan to be collected at the program or non-members can join the Solo & Small Firm Section for only \$30 any time on or before April 25, 2019 to attend the program for FREE. Section membership applications will be available at the program and at <https://www.michbar.org/sections/home>.

Optional Pre-registration: RSVP to edmund@aronowitzlawfirm.com to let us know if you will be attending; please indicate whether you are a current Solo & Small Firm Section member.

Our Speakers



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JoAnn Hathaway is a practice management advisor for the State Bar of Michigan. She previously worked as a legal liability claims director, risk manager, paralegal, and legal administrator. She holds undergraduate and graduate degrees from Spring Arbor University and Central Michigan University. She is an Adobe Certified Expert, is a Certified Clio Product Pro, and holds software certifications in LexisNexis Time Matters and Billing Matters software. She is a Registered Professional Liability Underwriter, a licensed property and casualty insurance agent, and the author of the ABA publication *Legal Malpractice Insurance in One Hour For Lawyers*. She is active in the ABA Law Practice Management Division, serving on the Publishing Board and Law Practice Today Editorial Board, and is a frequent speaker on law firm technology, insurance, and risk and practice management topics.



Alan Taylor is a shareholder in Segal McCambridge's Michigan office and serves as Chair of the firm's Professional Liability Practice Group. Mr. Taylor focuses his practice on commercial litigation, the defense of professional negligence claims for lawyers, accountants and financial advisors, real estate litigation, business transactions and defending creditor's rights. Since his admission to the Michigan bar in 1994, Mr. Taylor has diligently represented publicly-traded corporations, private companies and individuals in Michigan's District Courts, Circuit Courts, Bankruptcy Courts and Federal Courts (Eastern and Western Districts of Michigan and the 6th Circuit Court of Appeals). In recognition of his outstanding professional achievements, Mr. Taylor was recognized as a 2019 Lawyer of Distinction, a 2014-2019 Top-Rated Lawyer in Insurance Law by American Lawyer Media and Martindale-

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