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DRI's Drug and Medical Device Seminar is the preeminent program for lawyers who represent pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers. We are pleased to feature a number of nationally recognized judges, attorneys (both in-house and outside counsel), and other professionals who will address cutting-edge topics that are relevant to all who practice in this area, whether they are associates, lead trial counsel, or in-house attorneys. This year's program will offer a variety of presentations, including trial skills demonstrations, panel discussions of judges overseeing coordinated pharmaceutical proceedings, and litigation insights from leading defenders of drug and device cases. In addition to the outstanding program, there will be numerous networking opportunities, including our annual Young Lawyers Blockbuster. Be sure to register now to reserve your place in New Orleans at DRI's 28th annual Drug and Medical Device Seminar.



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WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- What federal and state court judges are thinking with regard to coordinated pharmaceutical litigation
- How to pick a winning jury in a drug or medical device case
- Cutting-edge mediation techniques for drug and device cases
- Key strategies for deposing prescribing physicians
- The latest techniques for the successful invocation of federal preemption in drug and device cases

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PROGRAM SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9, 2012

6:00 p.m. **Registration**6:00 p.m. **Networking Reception***Sponsored by* **Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP**

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012

Boarding Pass Kiosk*Sponsored by* **King & Spalding****Internet Café***Sponsored by* **Litigation Management Inc.**7:00 a.m. **Registration**7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast***Sponsored by* **Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP
Reed Smith LLP**7:00 a.m. **First-Time Attendees Breakfast**8:00 a.m. **Welcome and Introduction****Mark A. Solheim**, *Larson King LLP*, St. Paul, Minnesota**Scott W. Saylor**, *Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP*, Kansas City, Missouri**J. Carter Thompson, Jr.**, *Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz PC*, Jackson, Mississippi**Why Can't We Be Friends?**

In two panels, federal and state court judges, plaintiffs' lawyers and defense lawyers will discuss how they handle federal multidistrict litigation (MDLs), related state coordinated proceedings and multi-jurisdictional coordination. We will bring the panels together for a round of questions and discussion about how they can work together to deal most efficiently with multi-jurisdictional litigation.

8:15 a.m. **The New Orleans MDL Experience**

This panel of experienced MDL practitioners, as well as a federal judge who has overseen numerous federal MDLs, will discuss MDLs, the JPML and what has been done in New Orleans with MDLs.

The Honorable Eldon E. Fallon, *United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana*, New Orleans, Louisiana9:10 a.m. **Coordination of State Court Pharmaceutical Mass Tort Litigations**

Two state court judges, who have overseen the coordination of pharmaceutical mass tort litigations, and veteran practitioners for both plaintiffs and defendants will discuss their experiences and best practices in state court coordinated proceedings.

David R. Buchanan, *Seeger Weiss LLP*, New York, New York**Stacey Dixon Calahan**, *Takeda Pharmaceuticals North America Inc.*, Deerfield, Illinois**The Honorable Carol E. Higbee**, *Superior Court of New Jersey*, Atlantic City, New Jersey**The Honorable Sandra Mazer Moss**, *Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania**Raymond M. Williams**, *DLA Piper LLP*, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania10:00 a.m. **Refreshment Break***Sponsored by* **Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz PC**10:15 a.m. **Joint Question and Answer Session with Judges and Attorneys from Both Panels**11:00 a.m. **When a Good Medical Device Fails: Successfully Defending Medical Device Suits When Causation Is Not in Doubt**

In some devices cases, there is no question about the causal link between the incident and the device. In such cases, the focus is on the defense of the device generally. Using a fact summary from such a case and a video of the plaintiff's closing, an experienced device trial lawyer will do a live defense closing, followed by a discussion of the substantive and strategic considerations of defending such a case.

David W. Brooks, *Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP*, Kansas City, Missouri12:00 p.m. **Lunch** (*on your own*)12:00 p.m. **Diversity Luncheon: The Importance of Diversity in the Legal Profession***(\$40 fee, check box on registration form)***Speaker: María Pabón López**, *Loyola University New Orleans College of Law*, New Orleans, Louisiana*Sponsored by* **DLA Piper****Gordon & Rees LLP****Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP****Sidley Austin LLP**

1:15 p.m. **Mediation: Peace Team Strategy from the Single Case to Inventory Resolution**

Some cases must be tried; others are settled. An in-house attorney and an outside counsel will discuss how to distinguish the two and how to resolve both single cases and mass torts effectively.

Sheila L. Birnbaum, *Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP*, New York, New York

Malini Moorthy, *Pfizer Inc.*, New York, New York

1:30 p.m. **Young Lawyers Blockbuster**

(see program schedule on page 5)

2:10 p.m. **No Prescription Needed: Keys to Defending Claims Involving Over-the-Counter Medications Successfully**

The defense of over-the-counter drugs presents different challenges than the defense of prescription devices and drugs. A drug and device trial lawyer who has tried over-the-counter cases will discuss successful strategies for defending such claims.

John Dames, *Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP*, Chicago, Illinois

2:55 p.m. **Refreshment Break**

Sponsored by **Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP**

3:10 p.m. **Preemption: Where Has the Pendulum Swung After *Mensing*?**

The landmark U.S. Supreme Court decisions *Wyeth v. Levine* and *Pliva v. Mensing* will have a profound impact on the way pharmaceutical cases will be litigated. The attorney who argued *Mensing* for the generics will share his thoughts on how these decisions affect both branded and generic drugs.

Jay P. Lefkowitz, *Kirkland & Ellis LLP*, New York, New York

3:55 p.m. **Current Issues in Aggregate Litigation Against Drug and Device Manufacturers**

A veteran in the defense of drug and device class actions will provide the latest information on class actions and other aggregate litigation against the industry.

Jessica D. Miller, *Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP*, Washington, D.C.

3:55 p.m. **In-House Counsel Breakout** (*in-house counsel only*)

4:30 p.m. **Hot Topics**

Ms. De Santos will share the latest information regarding developments for drug and device practitioners.

Laura E. De Santos, *Gordon & Rees LLP*, Houston, Texas

5:15 p.m. **Adjourn**

5:15 p.m. **Drug and Medical Device Committee Meeting**
(open to all)

6:00 p.m. **Networking Reception**

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7:00 a.m. **Registration**

7:00 a.m. **Continental Breakfast**

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8:00 a.m. **Announcements**

J. Carter Thompson, Jr., *Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz PC*, Jackson, Mississippi

Sara J. Gourley, *Sidley Austin LLP*, Chicago, Illinois

8:05 a.m. **They Don't Have to Be E-Normous: Controlling Your E-Discovery Obligations, Costs and Burdens**

E-discovery issues arise in almost every drug and device case. An outside attorney with extensive experience with e-discovery issues will provide guidance for controlling e-discovery obligations and the costs associated with them.

Kathy J. Owen, *DLA Piper LLP (US)*, Dallas, Texas

9:00 a.m. **A Jury Harvest: Picking the Right People**

Using cutting-edge technology, an experienced jury consultant and seasoned drug and device trial attorneys will discuss important issues in selecting the right jurors for a drug or device case and will demonstrate voir dire techniques to identify problem and desirable jurors.

Lori G. Cohen, *Greenberg Traurig LLP*, Atlanta, Georgia

Clarence Davis, *Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP*, Columbia, South Carolina

Rick R. Fuentes, Ph.D., *R&D Strategic Solutions LLC*, Atlanta, Georgia

10:00 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

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- 10:15 a.m. **Medical Device Preemption: Is There Life for Plaintiffs' Claims After *Riegel v. Medtronic*?**
An in-house attorney and a leading drug and device defense attorney will discuss what, if anything, is left for plaintiffs in device cases after *Riegel v. Medtronic*.
Barbara Ashley, *Medtronic Inc.*, Minneapolis, Minnesota
Michael K. Brown, *Reed Smith LLP*, Los Angeles, California
- 11:00 a.m. **Taking the Deposition of the Prescriber: The Trial Lawyer's Perspective**
An attorney who routinely tries drug and medical device cases will present on the “dos and don'ts” for the deposition of the prescribing physician—what should and should not be done prior to the deposition; evidentiary considerations; and what you should do in case the deposition is used at trial.
Pamela J. Yates, *Kaye Scholer LLP*, Los Angeles, California
- 11:50 a.m. **Don't Give Up on Your Warnings**
Drugs and devices are accompanied by labels, package inserts and warnings approved by the FDA. An experienced drug and device trial lawyer will discuss how practitioners can use those warnings in the successful defense of drug and device cases.
Steven F. Casey, *Jones Walker*, Birmingham, Alabama
- 12:30 p.m. **Not the Big Easy: Dynamic Ethical Issues for Drug and Device Lawyers**
This presentation will focus on the ethical issues drug and device practitioners face.
Dane S. Ciolino, *Loyola University New Orleans College of Law*, New Orleans, Louisiana
- 1:30 p.m. **Adjourn**

YOUNG LAWYERS BLOCKBUSTER

THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012

1:30–4:30 p.m.

1:30 p.m. **Opening Remarks and Introductions**

Michele On-ja Choe, *Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP*, Denver, Colorado

Amanda S. Kitts, *Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP*, Columbia, South Carolina

1:40 p.m. **The Plaintiff Ate the Evidence: Proof of Defect When the Drug or Device Is Lost, Destroyed, or Consumed**

Rebecca A. Lefler, *Tucker Ellis & West LLP*, Los Angeles, California

2:00 p.m. **Weight of the Evidence: How to Frame Your *Daubert* Challenge So Exclusion Is the Only Outcome**

Jennifer A. Fuerch, *DLA Piper LLP (US)*, New York, New York

2:20 p.m. **Drug and Medical Device Trials in 3-D: Effective Use of Demonstrative Exhibits and Graphics**

John W. Elder, *Paine Tarwater and Bickers LLP*, Knoxville, Tennessee

2:40 p.m. **Refreshment Break**

Sponsored by Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP

2:50 p.m. **From Preservation Hall to Record Preservation: Preserving the Record for Appeal in Pharmaceutical and Medical Device Litigation**

Jennifer Y. Dukart, *Faegre & Benson LLP*, Minneapolis, Minnesota

3:10 p.m. **In-House Panel Discussion: Added Value—How Young Lawyers Can Build a Successful Working Relationship with In-House Counsel**

Jerry G. Bradford, *Alcon Laboratories Inc.*, Fort Worth, Texas

Jill Harrison, *W.L. Gore & Associates Inc.*, Flagstaff, Arizona

Timothy K. Howard, *Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp.*, North Wales, Pennsylvania

David K. Orensten, *Cardinal Health Inc.*, Dublin, Ohio

4:30 p.m. **Young Lawyers Committee Meeting (open to all)**

GENERAL INFORMATION

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FACULTY

Barbara Ashley has been in-house litigation counsel at Medtronic Inc. in Minneapolis for over 15 years. Ms. Ashley was a plaintiffs' lawyer for 16 years before joining Medtronic. Much of the device preemption law in this country has been made by Medtronic and many of the Medtronic preemption cases were managed internally by Ms. Ashley, along with the able expertise of outside counsel.

Sheila L. Birnbaum, co-head of Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP's complex mass tort and insurance group nationwide, has been national counsel or lead defense counsel for numerous *Fortune 500* companies in some of the largest and most complicated tort cases in the country. She has successfully argued two cases in the United States Supreme Court. Ms. Birnbaum was chosen as the leading product liability lawyer in the world by the *International Who's Who of Product Liability*.

David W. Brooks is a partner in the law firm of Shook Hardy & Bacon LLP in Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Brooks is a trial lawyer with over 25 years of experience, focused primarily on the defense of pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers in product liability cases. He has tried drug and device cases and argued appeals in state and federal courts throughout the United States.

Michael K. Brown is a partner in the Los Angeles office of Reed Smith LLP and is the co-chair of the firm's life sciences health industry group. He currently acts as national coordinating and trial counsel for medical device and pharmaceutical companies. Mr. Brown also has litigated the issue of federal preemption in dozens of cases at both the trial court and appellate level, including *Riegel v. Medtronic*, 451 F. 3d 104 (2nd Cir. 2006).

David R. Buchanan is a partner with the New York-based plaintiff firm, Seeger Weiss LLP. Mr. Buchanan focuses his practice on mass tort and class action litigation, often involving pharmaceutical products and injuries. Over the last several years, he has served as plaintiffs' liaison counsel, a member of various plaintiffs' leadership committees, and trial counsel in many prominent MDL and coordinated state pharmaceutical and device litigations.

Stacey Dixon Calahan is assistant general counsel of litigation at Takeda Pharmaceuticals North America Inc., a global pharmaceutical company, based in Deerfield, Illinois. Ms. Calahan is responsible for advising executive

management on liability exposure, compliance issues and business disputes, and for managing a significant portfolio of the company's commercial, employment, patent and product liability litigation, including mass tort litigation. She also manages external government investigations and conducts internal corporate investigations.

Steven F. Casey is a partner in Jones Walker's Birmingham, Alabama, office. His practice focuses on the defense of pharmaceutical manufacturers, and he obtained a defense verdict in the only failure to warn case involving metoclopramide that has gone to trial in the United States. Mr. Casey speaks and writes regularly on the defense of generic drug manufacturers and contributed a section on that topic to the 2011 edition of the *International Comparative Legal Guide: Product Liability*.

Dane S. Ciolino serves as the Alvin R. Christovich Distinguished Professor of Law at Loyola University New Orleans College of Law. Professor Ciolino graduated from Tulane Law School, where he was inducted into the Order of the Coif and served as editor in chief of the *Tulane Law Review*. He serves on numerous state and federal ethics committees. Professor Ciolino represents lawyers and judges in disciplinary proceedings and provides consultations on legal ethics issues. He is the author of *Louisiana Professional Responsibility Law & Practice* (3d. ed. 2007).

Lori G. Cohen, chair of Greenberg Traurig LLP's pharmaceutical, medical device and health care litigation practice group of more than 90 attorneys, resides in the firm's Atlanta office. She has tried 55 cases, all to defense verdicts. Ms. Cohen has been featured in the *National Law Journal* and the *Financial Times*, and she is one of only nine attorneys included in the 2010 and 2011 editions of *Chambers & Partners USA Guide's* National Pharmaceutical Industry Products Liability Table.

John Dames is a partner and chair of the product liability and mass tort practice group at Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP in Chicago. His practice focuses on the defense of manufacturers of pharmaceutical drugs and devices. Mr. Dames served as coordinating and trial counsel in actions involving oral contraceptives and in cases involving polyvinyl chloride meat-wrapping film. He served as national counsel to a large chemical manufacturer in actions involving claims of injuries following alleged exposure to ethylene oxide. He is an adjunct professor at Northwestern University School of Law.



Clarence Davis, a partner with Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP in Columbia, South Carolina, practices pharmaceutical and medical device, business, product liability, class action and white collar criminal trial defense. His defense verdict trials include a Virginia class action and a \$34 million exposure franchise business dispute. A former Air Force JAG circuit trial counsel and assistant U.S. attorney, he is recognized in the *Best Lawyers in America* and *Super Lawyers* for his litigation practice. Mr. Davis is a member of DRI and ABOTA.

Laura E. De Santos is a partner in the Houston office of Gordon & Rees LLP. She has extensive experience representing corporate clients in state and federal courts throughout the United States. Ms. De Santos concentrates her practice on product liability, commercial litigation and employment law litigation. She has represented pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers and has tried numerous serious injury cases to verdict.

The Honorable Eldon E. Fallon has served as a U.S. District Court Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana since 1995. He presides over three MDLs: Propulsid, Vioxx and Chinese drywall. Prior to his appointment to the federal bench, Judge Fallon was a partner at the New Orleans firm of Kierri Gainsburgh Benjamin Fallon and David, an adjunct professor at Tulane University Law School, president of the Louisiana State Bar Association and a published author.

Rick R. Fuentes, Ph.D., is a founding partner of R&D Strategic Solutions LLC in Cumming, Georgia, and has specialized in jury behavior and decision-making and the evaluation of complex evidence for over 21 years. He has worked with trial teams on hundreds of cases. Through the use of focus groups, mock trials and surveys, Dr. Fuentes assists trial attorneys and in-house counsel in the development of persuasive jury messages and themes, witness preparation, jury selection and case valuation.

Sara J. Gourley, a litigation partner in the Chicago office of Sidley Austin LLP, is widely recognized for defending life sciences companies in multidistrict product liability litigation. Ms. Gourley is currently serving as defense counsel in some of the most important litigation facing the life sciences industry, including coordinating the defense of on-going claims aimed at a widely distributed diabetes medicine. She is a frequent writer and speaker on topics related to the multinational defense of pharmaceutical and medical device companies. Ms. Gourley is the program vice chair of this seminar.

Russ M. Herman is a partner in the New Orleans firm of Herman Herman Katz & Cotlar LLP. He has served as plaintiff's liaison counsel in MDLs, including Vioxx and Propulsid. A former president of ATLA and recipient of the Federal Bar Association's "Professionalism Award," he has also recently authored *Courtroom Persuasion II, Winning with Art, Drama and Science*.

The Honorable Carol E. Higbee is a presiding judge of the New Jersey Superior Court Civil Division. She is one of three judges assigned by the New Jersey Supreme Court to mass tort litigation. Judge Higbee managed the Vioxx litigation in New Jersey, which coordinated over 16,000 cases. At the present time, she presides over the coordinated litigation of Accutane, Reglan, Levaquin, Fosamax, Bristol Myers Squibb Environmental Litigation, Pelvic Mesh and Stryker Trident in New Jersey.

James B. Irwin is a partner in the New Orleans firm of Irwin Fritchie Urquhart & Moore LLC. He is a defense trial lawyer whose practice in the last 20 years has focused on drugs and devices. His multidistrict litigation experience includes serving as national coordinating counsel, MDL liaison counsel and local counsel. Mr. Irwin is a member of DRI and a fellow in the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Jay P. Lefkowitz is a senior litigator at Kirkland & Ellis LLP in New York City and a member of its Management Committee. He served as senior White House advisor in both Bush administrations and special envoy for human rights in North Korea. Mr. Lefkowitz is also an adjunct professor at Columbia Law School. He successfully argued *Pliva v. Mensing*, the Supreme Court's landmark preemption case in 2011.

Maria Pabón López, Dean at the Loyola University New Orleans College of Law in New Orleans, is an expert in immigrants' rights, immigrant law and diversity/multicultural matters in the legal profession. Her other major research interests include women and the law and diversity pipelines into the legal profession. Dean López has written articles for the *Harvard Latino Law Review*, the *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal*, the *Hastings Women's Law Journal* and the *Seton Hall Law Journal*.

Jessica D. Miller is a partner at Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP in Washington, D.C. She has broad experience in the defense of purported class actions and other complex civil litigation, with a focus on product liability matters, multidistrict litigation proceedings and appeals.



Ms. Miller has also been involved in several major federal legislative efforts and has written extensively on class action and tort reform issues.

Malini Moorthy is a vice president and assistant general counsel in the litigation group of Pfizer Inc.'s Legal Division in New York City. In addition to co-managing the civil litigation group, Ms. Moorthy manages a diverse caseload of her own and provides legal risk counseling to the company's various business units. She has extensive experience managing mass torts litigation having led, among other things, the company's defense of its hormone therapy medicines.

The Honorable Sandra Mazer Moss is the founder and coordinating judge of Philadelphia's nationally recognized Complex Litigation Center. In that capacity, she has created case management procedures in mass tort litigation, particularly in asbestos, and 18 pharmaceutical programs. Judge Moss presently supervises over 9,000 mass tort cases and eight trial judges. In 1991, she was a founding member and chair of the State Judges Mass Tort Litigation Committee, the first national organization to develop common approaches to problems in mass tort litigation.

Kathy J. Owen is a partner in the Dallas office of DLA Piper LLP (US). She focuses her practice on complex litigation, including pharmaceutical and medical device litigation. A significant amount of her practice is spent advising national and international clients in all phases of information management and electronic discovery. Ms. Owen serves as co-chair of DLA Piper's electronic discovery readiness and response group. She is a frequent speaker on e-discovery and social media issues.

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J. Carter Thompson, Jr., is a shareholder in the Jackson, Mississippi, office of Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell & Berkowitz PC, where he serves as chair of the product liability and mass tort practice group and co-chair of the firm's drug, device and life sciences industry group. Mr. Thompson's practice is focused on the national and regional defense of drug and device cases. He is a member of DRI, the Product Liability Advisory Council, Lawyers for Civil Justice and the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel. Mr. Thompson is the program chair of this seminar.

Raymond M. Williams is a partner in the life science practice group in the Philadelphia office of DLA Piper LLP (US). Mr. Williams focuses his practice on complex litigation, with an emphasis on pharmaceutical and medical device. He has first-chair jury trial experience. Mr. Williams is currently defense liaison counsel in three mass tort proceedings in the Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas and was co-lead defense counsel in a mass tort proceeding in the New Jersey mass tort program.

Pamela J. Yates, a partner in Kaye Scholer LLP's product liability group in Los Angeles, has extensive experience in mass tort work and has acted as national coordinating counsel representing clients in claims involving pharmaceuticals and medical devices. In July 2011, she achieved a defense verdict in a hormone therapy case in federal court in West Virginia. From 2009–2011, Ms. Yates has been recognized as one of California's "Top Women Litigators" in *Daily Journal's* supplement feature.



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February 16-17 **Trucking Law**
The Westin Kierland,
Scottsdale, AZ

February 23-24 **Sharing Success— A Seminar for Women Lawyers**
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Scottsdale, AZ

March 8-9 **Medical Liability and Health Care Law**
Hilton New Orleans
Riverside,
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March 14-16 **Trial Tactics**
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March 14-16 **Rainmaking**
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March 28-30 **Insurance Coverage and Claims Institute**
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