



## Schedule for 2023 Annual Conference - Steamboat Springs CO. July 23-25 (as of May 9, 2025)

07/23/2023

10:00 am - 1:00 am  
Guided Gourmet Hike

Meet at the Base of the Steamboat Gondola at  
10:30am

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10:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Golf - Rollingstone Ranch Golf Club

Rollingstone Ranch Golf Club

1230 Steamboat Blvd, Steamboat Springs, CO 80487

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1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Steamboat Grand Hotel Entrance

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6:00 pm - 8:30 pm  
Opening Reception - Timber & Torch

Timber & Torch

Located in: Sheraton Steamboat Resort Villas, at the  
base of the mountain near the gondola.

Address: 2305 Mt Werner Cir, Steamboat Springs, CO  
80487

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7:00 am - 8:00 am  
Breakfast

Grand Tent (2nd Floor)

8:00 am - 8:30 am  
Welcome & Announcements

Hillary D Patterson  
Patterson Ripplinger

Korbel Grand Ballroom

8:30 am - 9:30 am  
Against All Tides: The Untold Story of the USS Kitty  
Hawk Race Riots (a Defense Attorney's  
Perspective) (Ethics)

Marv Truhe, Author, Former JAG Corps Attorney

Korbel Grand Ballroom

9:30 am - 9:45 am  
Break

Korbel Grand Ballroom

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9:45 am - 10:35 am  
Premises Liability Act I: Brush up on Basics

Rachel T. Jennings  
Sutton | Booker

Korbel Grand Ballroom

Cara M. Knight  
Sutton | Booker

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9:45 am - 10:35 am  
Insta-What?: Leveraging Social Media and Law Firm  
Marketing Ethics (Ethics)

Douglas K. Burrell  
Chartwell Law

Spring Creek - Conference Room

Hillary D Patterson  
Patterson Ripplinger

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9:45 am - 10:35 am  
Fundamental Considerations for Conducting and  
Interpreting Neuropsychological Testing

Tom Bradfield  
Integrated Medical Evaluations, Inc.

Burgess Creek - Conference Room

Dr. Brent Van Dorsten, Ph.D  
President, Colorado Center for Behavioral Medicine

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10:40 am - 11:30 am  
The Art of Jury Selection\*

Christina Marinakis  
IMS Consulting & Expert Services

Korbel Grand Ballroom

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11:35 am - 12:50 am  
Lunch & Learn - Case Law Update

Jeffrey C Ruebel  
Ruebel & Quillen

Korbel Grand Ballroom

Andrew M. LaFontaine  
Jeremy R. Maline & Associates

Dylan Lewis  
American Family Insurance

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1:00 pm - 1:50 pm  
Reptile Theory, Runaway Verdicts, and Punitive  
Damages\*

Korbel Grand Ballroom

Rachelle Mortimer  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for Legal Reform

Heather A Salg  
Messner Reeves

Christina Marinakis  
IMS Consulting & Expert Services

Billy-George Hertzke  
SGR, LLC

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1:50 pm - 2:05 pm  
Break

Korbel Grand Ballroom

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2:05 pm - 2:55 pm  
Premesis Liability Act II: Advanced Issues and  
Strategies

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Rachel T. Jennings  
Sutton | Booker

Cara M. Knight  
Sutton | Booker

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2:05 pm - 2:55 pm  
Worker's Comp Update: Navigating New DIME Rules

Spring Creek - Conference Room

Joe Espinosa  
Law Office of Robert B. Hunter

Brady Ambron  
White & Steele

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2:05 pm - 2:55 pm  
Trial Skills Refresher Series: Preserving Your Record  
-Trial and Appellate Perspectives\*

Burgess Creek - Conference Room

Kendra N Beckwith  
Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie LLP

Angela M. Vichick  
Lewis Roca Rothgerber Christie LLP

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3:00 pm - 3:50 pm  
Judges Panel - New Paths in the Courtroom \*

Korbel Grand Ballroom

Hon. Susan Blanco  
8th Judicial District Chief Judge

Hon. Jaun Villaseñor, 8th Judicial District Judge

Hon. Sarah Wallace, Colorado 2nd Judicial District.

Hon. Vincente Vigil  
19th Judicial District Judge

Jon Olafson  
Buchalter

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6:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
Reception Dinner - Thunderhead Lodge - (Ride the  
Gondola) @5:30

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8:15 am - 9:30 am  
Lessons from Darrow: Ethics and Advocacy in the  
Courtroom\* (Ethics)

Franklin D Patterson  
Patterson Ripplinger

Karen Wheeler  
Wheeler Law

Meredith L McDonald  
O'Hagan Meyer

Sandy Brook  
Judicial Arbiter Group, Inc.

9:30 am - 9:45 am  
Break

Korbel Grand Ballroom

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9:45 am - 10:35 am  
The Wild, Wild West: Battles in Property Damage Bad  
Faith and Appraisals

Korbel Grand Ballroom

Sandy M Eloranto  
Sutton | Booker

Lily E. Nierenberg  
Sutton | Booker

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9:45 am - 10:35 am  
Knowing When to Ask for Help:Â Early, Effective Use  
of Expert Witnesses in Construction Defect Disputes

Spring Creek - Conference Room

Ryan A Williams  
Wilson Elser Moskowitz Edelman & Dicker LLP

Aaron Bagley, P.E.  
CMT Technical Services

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9:45 am - 10:35 am  
Trial Skills Refresher Series: Jury Instructions and  
Conferences\*

Burgess Creek - Conference Room

Chris Unger  
American Family Insurance

Jacquelyn S Booker  
Sutton | Booker

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10:40 am - 11:30 am  
The New Age of Remote Proceedings - Pitfalls, Pros,  
and Cons\*

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Hon. Susan Blanco  
8th Judicial District Chief Judge

Debby Reece  
American Family Insurance

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11:35 am - 12:50 am  
Lunch & Learn: Legislative Update

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Ike M Eckert  
Hall & Evans

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1:00 pm - 1:50 pm  
The Island of Misfit Lawyers

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J. Ryann Peyton  
Colorado Attorney Mentoring Program (CAMP)/ Legal  
Entrepreneurs for Justice (LEI)

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1:55 pm - 2:45 pm  
Trial Skills Refresher Series: Expert Cross Exam\*

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Amy Cook Olson  
Klein Cook Olson LLC

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1:55 pm - 2:45 pm  
Developing your Employment Case at the  
Administrative Level

Spring Creek - Conference Room

Meredith L McDonald  
O'Hagan Meyer

Alice Conway Powers  
O'Hagan Meyer

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1:55 pm - 2:45 pm  
Med Mal Expert Witness Issue Review: Update and  
Tips

Burgess Creek - Conference Room

Scott S Nixon  
Hall Booth Smith

Rodrigo Lugo  
Hall Booth Smith

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2:45 pm - 3:05 pm  
Vendor Raffle Drawing

Korbel Grand Ballroom

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3:10 pm - 4:00 pm  
Mosquitos and Sledgehammers and Other Impacts  
of Unconscious Bias (EDI Credit)

Korbel Grand Ballroom

Jon Olafson  
Buchalter



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4:30 pm - 6:00 pm  
Farewell Reception

Emerald Mountain Tent (second floor - outside)

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