

Insurance Roundtable Series

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March 22	California Fair Claims Settlement Regulations
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November 15	Important Court Decisions This Year for the Insurance Industry

Attendance Details

Time	Noon - 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be served
Location	Murchison & Cumming, LLP 801 South Grand Avenue, 9th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90017
Cost	No charge; Limited seating
Registration	amilian@murchisonlaw.com
Parking	Grand Avenue Entrance Parking will be validated

Telephonic Participation is available for non-local attendees. For more information, please contact Arleen Milian, Director of Client Relations, at 213.630.1071 or amilian@murchisonlaw.com.

This program is approved for MCLE continuing education credits. RPA and CPCU credits are being requested.

CA DOI CE's - Application Pending.

About Murchison & Cumming, LLP

Murchison & Cumming, LLP is an AV-rated law firm with offices in California and Nevada, specializing in the defense of domestic and international businesses, insurers, professionals and individuals in civil litigation, at trial and on appeal. Our attorneys also handle employment matters and business transactions; provide risk management advice, preventive counseling and transactional support to clients in an array of industries; and serve as mediators and arbitrators for many types of disputes.

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Join us for these informative and interactive roundtable discussions on "cutting edge" topics affecting insurers, risk managers, brokers and agents.

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California Fair Claims Settlement Regulations

California's "Fair Claims Settlement Practices" regulations play a crucial role in every claims professional's job, and can result in drastic consequences to the company if not followed. In fact, the regulations require that licensees be trained in the regulations annually and certify that they have received this training. This Roundtable will accomplish that training requirement for our attendees, but even if you have already been certified or are not required to be certified, we urge you to attend as you will learn some valuable information.

Defending with Independent Counsel

When a company decides to defend its insured through a reservation of rights, a crucial issue is whether or not that reservation triggers the right to independent counsel. At this Roundtable, we will discuss the factors that dictate whether or not independent counsel must be provided, and if so, the issues presented by that defense (including costs, control of defense, etc.).

Writing Effective Reservation and Denial Letters

When an insurer decides to defend an action under a reservation of rights, or to deny coverage entirely, it is crucial that the written communications to the insured effectively convey the insurer's position and that the letters comply with statutes, regulations and case law. An improperly drafted letter can result in liability against the insurer that could have been avoided. This Roundtable will address how these letters should be properly written so that they hold up to judicial scrutiny and effectively convey the carrier's position.

Important Court Decisions This Year for the Insurance Industry

A brief survey of this year's California and Nevada Appellate and Supreme Court decisions which impact insureds, insurers, risk managers, brokers and agents, on issues ranging from insurance coverage to bad faith and claims handling.

The lawyers of Murchison & Cumming's Insurance Law team provide underwriting, coverage, claims handling and risk management advice to insurers and risk managers, and represent insurers and insurance industry defendants in litigation and appeals filed in the State and Federal Courts of California and Nevada.

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