

# BATTLE OF THE EXPERTS 2022

**DECEMBER 7, 2022**

- 1:00 – 3:00PM**      **Conference Registration** ..... **Location: Living Room in Hotel Lobby**
- 3:00PM**              **Introduction**..... **Location: The Oasis (Outdoors by the Beach)**  
**Peter Hecht**, Magna Legal Services, Partner and Executive VP Sales
- 3:15 – 3:40PM**      **Battle of the Experts – Successful Strategies for Persuasive Expert Presentation**  
**Robert J. Kopka, Esq.**, Kopka Pinkus Dolin, Managing Partner  
**Rachel York Colangelo, Ph.D.**, Magna Legal Services, National Managing Director of Jury Consulting
- 3:40 – 4:00PM**      **Opening Statements - Heartbreak Hotel v. On Time Construction, Inc.**  
**Andrew M. Unthank, Esq.**, Wheeler Trigg O’Donnell, Partner representing Heartbreak Hotel  
**Daniel E. Rhyhart, Esq.**, Blank Rome, Partner representing On Time Construction, Inc.
- 4:00 – 4:35PM**      **Micro Panel Breakouts**
- 4:00 – 4:45PM**      **Traditional Panel Topic** – Elements of A Successful Expert Presentation  
Moderated by: **Howard L. Close, Esq.**, Wright Close & Barger, Partner  
Panelists Include:  
**Collin Hite**, Markel, Director & Associate General Counsel - Claims  
**Edward Kozel**, Munich Reinsurance America, Claims Practice Lead  
**Derrick Mullen**, Seneca Insurance Company, Vice President, Home Office Claims  
**Jason Newton**, Curi, General Counsel
- 4:45 – 5:15PM**      **First Expert Direct and Shadow Jury Impressions**  
Attorney: **Juan S. Ramirez, Esq.**, Wheeler Trigg O’Donnell, Partner  
Expert: **Jason Randle, PE, LEED AP**, Robson Forensic, Engineer
- 5:15 – 5:45PM**      **Second Expert Direct and Shadow Jury Impressions**  
Attorney: **Daniel E. Rhyhart, Esq.**, Blank Rome, Partner  
Expert: **Lars Daniel EnCE, CCO, CCPA, CTNS, CTA, CIPTS, CWA**, Envista Forensics, Practice Leader - Digital Forensics  
SHADOW JURY IMPRESSIONS: **Jeff Vernis, Esq.**, Vernis & Bowling, Partner  
PRESIDING JUDGE: **Justice David Medina**, Texas Supreme Court Justice (Ret.)
- 6:00 – 6:30PM**      **Battle Wrap Up with Moderators and Experts**
- 7:00 – 9:00PM**      **Welcome Reception and Dinner** ..... **Location: The Grove (W South Beach)**  
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DECEMBER 8, 2022

- 8:30 – 9:30AM Breakfast.....Location: Mr. Chow (W South Beach)**
- 9:30 – 9:45AM Welcome by Peter Hecht, Magna Legal Services.....Location: The Beach**
- 9:45 – 10:00AM Opening Statements - Kate Parson v. Change Yourself Hair Products, Inc.**  
*Tera Edwards, Esq.*, Lewis Brisbois, Partner representing Kate Parson  
*Daniel Lapidus, Esq.*, Lapidus & Lapidus, Partner representing Change Yourself Hair Products, Inc
- 10:00 – 10:35AM Micro Panel Breakouts**
- 10:00 – 10:45AM Traditional Panel Topic – How Jurors “Hear” and “Process” Expert Testimony with the Impact of Visual Aids**  
Moderated by: *Thomas Mannion, Esq.*, Lewis Brisbois, Partner  
Panelists Include:  
*Claudia Arguello*, Northland Insurance, Claims  
*Robert Bressler*, National Express, VP, AGC  
*Scott M. Horwitz, Esq.*, Magna Legal Services, National Director of Graphics Consulting & Trial Presentation  
*Rosemary Quiñónez*, Seminole Hard Rock Support Services, Director - Risk Management
- 10:45 – 11:15AM First Expert Direct and Shadow Jury Impressions**  
Attorney: *Tera Edwards, Esq.*, Lewis Brisbois, Partner  
Expert: *Farheen S. Khan, Ph.D.*, Rimkus Consulting Group, Vice President, Human Factors
- 11:15 – 11:45AM Second Expert Direct and Shadow Jury Impressions**  
Attorney: *Daniel Lapidus, Esq.*, Lapidus & Lapidus, Partner  
Expert: *Claudio V.B. Favero, Ph.D.*, Exponent, Senior Associate  
SHADOW JURY IMPRESSIONS: *Jeff Vernis, Esq.*, Vernis & Bowling, Partner  
PRESIDING JUDGE: *Justice David Medina*, Texas Supreme Court Justice (Ret.)
- 11:45 – 12:15PM Battle Wrap Up with Moderators and Experts**
- 12:30PM Golf Outing *Sponsored by Ringler*, Beach, or Activities at Leisure**
- 6:00 – 7:00PM Closing Reception.....Location: Wet Deck (Pool)**

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## Micro Panel Breakouts

**DAY 1 – Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> – Heartbreak Hotel v. On Time Construction, Inc.**

- Group Moderator:** Juan S. Ramirez, Esq., **Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP**, Partner  
Andrew M. Unthank, Esq., **Wheeler Trigg O'Donnell LLP**, Partner
- Group Expert:** Jason Randle, P.E., LEED AP, **Robson Forensic**, Civil Engineer & Construction Safety Expert
- Panelists:** Arturo Antezana, **Berkshire Hathaway Specialty Insurance**, AVP-Excess Casualty Claims  
Jerry Craig, **Protective Insurance**, Manager, Excess Litigation  
Michael Cortese, **Westfield Specialty**, SVP of Claims  
Melody Curry, **Chubb**, Vice President, Environmental Claims Leader  
Joshua Deutsch, **Allied World Insurance Company**, AVP, North American Claims Group  
Deborah Gonzalez, **Kemper**, Vice President, Regional Litigation Claims  
Colleen Graham, **Constellation**, Claim Consultant  
Sandra Gravanti, General Counsel  
Laura Merkel, **Acuity Insurance**, Senior Field Claim Representative  
John Reitwiesner, **Core Specialty**, VP – Head of Claims  
Ian Rapaport, **Axis Capital**, Head of Complex Casualty  
David Shoults, **Hallmark Financial Services, Inc.**, V.P. Claims
- Group Moderator:** Daniel E. Rhyhart, Esq., **Blank Rome LLP**, Partner
- Group Expert:** Lars Daniel, EnCE, CCO, CCPA, CTNS, CTA, CIPTS, CWA, **Envista Forensics**, Practice Leader - Digital Forensics
- Panelists:** Lloyd Brown, **Wawa Inc.**, Casualty Claims Manager  
Robert Caldwell, **Eagle FC, Inc.**, Chief Legal Officer  
Morgan Carrin, **Universal Health Services, Inc.**, Supervisor - Claims  
Jeff Davis, **Lincoln Financial Group**, AVP & Senior Counsel  
Austin Ellis, **Mercedes-Benz USA, LLC**, Corporate Counsel  
Krista Glenn, **Westfield Specialty**, EVP & Chief Claims Officer  
Katherine McDaniel, **T-Mobile**, Director, Cybersecurity Compliance, Legal Affairs  
Phyllis Rosenbaum, **Nemours Children's Health**, AVP, Deputy General Counsel, Operations  
Brian Savage, **Teva**, VP & General Counsel, US Antitrust & Commercial Litigation  
Aileen Schwartz, **Hill International**, SVP, Senior Corporate Counsel US and Privacy Officer  
Richard Sedory, **Wastequip LLC**, General Counsel  
Elizabeth Timkovich, **Atlantic Union Bank**, Senior Counsel – Head of Litigation

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### DAY 2 – Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – *Kate Parson v. Change Yourself Hair Products, Inc.*

**Group Moderator:** Tera Edwards, Esq., **Lewis Brisbois**, Partner  
**Group Expert:** Farheen S. Khan, Ph.D., **Rimkus Consulting Group**, Vice President, Human Factors

**Panelists:** Brian Bornstein, **AIG**, Claims Executive - Programs  
Michael Cieloszczyk, **Everest Insurance**, Casualty Claims  
Stephen Dzury, Insurance Professional  
Meghan Hvizdos, **Daseke**, Director of Claims  
Susan LaBar, **Lockton Companies**, SVP Large Casualty Practice - Risk Services Leader  
Brad Markvart, **The General**, Litigation Counsel  
JoEllen Riehl, **Cassatt RRG Holding Company**, Claims & Litigation Specialist  
Frank Tarsi, **Universal Health Services, Inc.**, Sr Claim Analyst  
Carolyn Trush, **Universal Health Services, Inc.**, Manager-Claims  
Ozie Lewis, **Old Republic Risk Management**, Claims Client Manager  
Christina Perrotta, **Great American Custom Insurance Services**, Senior Claims Technical Director  
Keri Yaeger, **Zurich North America**, Assistant Vice President of Excess Claims

**Group Moderator:** Daniel Lapidus, Esq., **Lapidus & Lapidus**, Partner  
**Group Expert:** Claudio V.B. Favero, Ph.D., **Exponent**, Senior Associate

**Panelists:** Kevin Breeze, **Arch Insurance Group**, AVP Major Case Unit  
Lauren Buford, **Walgreens**, Senior Counsel, Tort Litigation  
Kim Campbell, **Wellpath**, Claims Litigation Sr Supervisor  
Patrick Carroll, **Aon**, Director, US, Casualty Claims Consulting  
Marc Fantone, **Pepsi Co**, Senior Manager, Leave & Liability Management  
Jennifer Hawkins, **CoAction**, Specialty Insurance Group, Complex Director, Excess/Complex Claims  
Ron Lowell, **Western Express**, General Counsel  
Sabrina Mizrahi, **The Estée Lauder Companies, Inc.**, VP, Litigation and Global Product Regulatory  
Yara Mouded, **Great American Custom Insurance**, Assistant Vice President  
Lori Ness, **BlueScope Steel**, Director of Risk & Insurance  
Konrad Pilatowicz, **U-Haul International, Inc.**, Assistant General Counsel

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