## GETAWAY C.L.E. - with RIK WILLIGER - PRESENTS

## ADVANCED OHIO WORKERS' COMPENSATION SEMINAR

FRI. & SAT., MAY 20th & 21st, 2022

## LIVE INTERACTIVE WEBCAST (via Zoom)

FRI. - May 20th

10:45 – 11:00 a.m. Welcoming Remarks – Overview of the Seminar – Rik Williger, Esq.

11:00 – 11:45 a.m. Steven Cremer, M.D.

Does the Workers' Compensation System make the Patient Sicker? and Pearls of Wisdom from the A.M.A. Guidelines

An understanding of how the Workers' Compensation System actually can worsen an injured worker's condition and overall well-being. Treatment regimens, approval delays, specific guidelines under the O.D.G., along with diagnoses parameters and the resultant problems they may pose for an injured worker in Ohio. Also, little known aspects from the A.M.A. Guidelines that offer insight to its application in workers' compensation cases.

11:45 – 12:30 p.m. **Jonathan Goodman, Esq.** 

Voluntary Abandonment under the newly enacted Statutory Amendment

A detailed review of the newly enacted Statute regarding Voluntary Abandonment and its implications for temporary total disability compensation in workers' compensation cases. Also, an examination of this given R.C. 4123.56 and recent Court Decisions applying the same.

12:30 – 12:45 p.m. Break.

12:45 – 1:45 p.m. Rik Williger, Esq.

Refocusing Your Workers' Comp Practice

Legal considerations when considering retirement or other modifications of your practice when phasing out.

1:45 – 2:45 p.m. David Kovach, Esq.

Trial Considerations in Workers' Compensation Cases

A review of a workers' compensation R.C. 4123.512 Court Appeal given new parameters by various Common Pleas Courts. An analysis of how to evaluate whether to pursue a .512 court appeal. Preparation for and eventual trial proceedings, including: Interrogatories, depositions, expert testimony, exhibits, dispositive motions, jury instructions, and actual trial strategies will be explored. Additional issues will be reviewed including voir dire, jury selection, and jury versus bench trials.

2:45 - 3:00 p.m. Break.

3:00 – 3:45 p.m. Carley Kranstuber, Esq.

Benefits of Technology in a Workers' Compensation Practice

The benefits of utilizing technology versus a total "paper office", from the inception of a Claim through hearings and follow-up. New trends including E-Signatures, Statute of Limitations Reminders, BWC/IC Forms, etc. will be explored along with Social Media.

3:45 p.m. Adjournment.