

# NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

## Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Trial Lawyers Section Annual Meeting

<b>Wednesday, January 27, 2016</b> Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Trial Lawyers Section Annual Dinner Cipriani Wall Street 55 Wall Street, New York City  Reception - 6:30 p.m. Dinner - 7:30 p.m.	<b>Thursday, January 28, 2016</b> Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Trial Lawyers Section Annual Meeting  Regent Parlor, 2nd Floor New York Hilton Midtown 1335 Avenue of the Americas, New York City  Morning Program - 8:45 a.m. Afternoon Program - 1:15 p.m.
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**Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Trial Lawyers Section Joint Annual Dinner**  
**Cipriani Wall Street, 55 Wall Street, New York City**

**\*\*\*Bus will depart from the 54th Street side of the New York Hilton Midtown at 5:45 p.m.\*\*\***

**Honoree will be: HONORABLE JENNY RIVERA**

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**Under New York's MCLE rule**, this program has been approved for **6.5 MCLE credits in Professional Practice**. *This program is NOT a transitional program and will not qualify for credit for newly admitted attorneys.*

**Discounts and Scholarships:** New York State Bar Association members and non-members may apply for a discount or scholarship to attend this program, based on financial hardship. *This discount applies to the educational portion of the program only.* Under that policy, any member of our Association or non-member who has a genuine basis of his/her hardship, if approved, can receive a discount or scholarship, depending on the circumstances. To apply for a discount or scholarship, please send your request in writing to Lori Nicoll at [lnicoll@nysba.org](mailto:lnicoll@nysba.org) or New York State Bar Association, One Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207. *Written requests must be submitted before January 13th.*

### TORTS, INSURANCE AND COMPENSATION LAW SECTION

#### Section Chair

**Mirna M. Santiago, Esq.**  
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#### Section Chair

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Garden City

**Violet Samuels, Esq.**  
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Rosedale

**8:45 a.m.**

Business Meeting and Election of Officers and District Representatives of the Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section and Business Meeting and Election of Officers and District Representatives of the Trial Lawyers Section

**9:00 - 9:50 a.m.**

**LEGAL LIABILITY IN THE AGE OF THE DRONE** (1.5 credits in Professional Practice)  
Salvatore Lagonia, aviation attorney and FOX News aviation analyst, will be joined by Charles Siegel, Esq. and Joanna Young Esq. Discussion will be on the liability and insurance coverage issues involved in the private and commercial use of the increasingly popular Drone.

**Moderator:**

**GARY A. CUSANO, ESQ.**  
Law Offices of Gary A. Cusano  
Yorktown Heights

**Speakers:**

**SALVATORE LAGONIA, ESQ.**  
Lagonia Law Office  
Yorktown Heights

**CHARLES J. SIEGEL ESQ.**  
Law Offices of Charles J. Siegel  
New York City

**JOANNA L. YOUNG, ESQ.**  
Carroll, McNulty & Kull LLC  
New York City



- 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.**      **INSURANCE COVERAGE IN A SHARING ECONOMY** (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)  
With the sharing economy continuing to grow rapidly (Uber, Air B&B etc.), it is no surprise that insurance coverage issues are creating a challenge for the insurance industry. This topic will discuss the complex issues that are faced by insurance carriers and the insured in a sharing economy.
- Speaker:**                    **DANIEL W. GERBER, ESQ.**  
Goldberg Segalla LLP  
Buffalo
- 10:50 - 11:00 a.m.**      **REFRESHMENT BREAK**
- 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**      **CIVIL PRACTICE LAW AND RULES UPDATE** (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)  
New York litigator David Paul Horowitz who, in addition to teaching New York Practice at Columbia Law School, writes and lectures extensively on civil practice issues, will present his cutting edge New York CPLR update. The presentation will include the recent amendment to CPLR 3212(b).
- Speaker:**                    **DAVID PAUL HOROWITZ, ESQ.**  
Geringer, McNamara & Horowitz  
New York City
- 12:15 - 1:15 p.m.**            **Lunch** (on your own)
- 1:15 - 2:05 p.m.**            **EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION - DEALING WITH THE "BRUISED FRUIT"**  
(1.0 credit in Professional Practice)
- Moderator:**                **PETER C. KOPFF, ESQ.**  
Peter C. Kopff, LLC  
Garden City
- Speaker:**                    **FREDERICK K. BREWINGTON, ESQ.**  
Law Offices Of Frederick K. Brewington  
Hempstead
- 2:05 - 2:55 p.m.**            **EMPLOYEE MOVEMENT, COVENANTS AND TRADE SECRETS IN NEW YORK - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW** (1.0 credit in Professional Practice)
- Speaker:**                    **JEROME P. COLEMAN, ESQ.**  
Putney, Twombly, Hall & Hirson LLP  
New York City
- 2:55 - 3:05 p.m.**            **REFRESHMENT BREAK**
- 3:05 - 3:55 p.m.**            **ELECTRONIC EVIDENCE, SPOILIATION AND DISCOVERY ISSUES**  
(1.0 credit in Professional Practice)
- Speaker:**                    **JOSHUA R. COHEN, ESQ.**  
DeCorato Cohen Sheehan & Federico LLP  
New York City
- 3:55 p.m.**                    **ADJOURN**



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For overnight room accommodations, please call the New York Hilton Midtown at 1-800-445-8667 and identify yourself as a member of the New York State Bar Association. Room rates are \$260.00 for single/double occupancy. **Reservations must be made by January 8, 2016.** You also can reserve your overnight room on the web at [www.nysba.org/am16accomm](http://www.nysba.org/am16accomm).



For registration questions call 800-582-2452. You can fax registration form to 518-463-5993. For questions about this specific program, contact Lori Nicoll at 518-487-5563.

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