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### Welcome to Your New Docket!

The IADC *Docket* has transitioned into an online publication, making it more dynamic and interactive than ever. With this new digital version, we are able to expand content and give you access to more information and resources than we could before.

View the President's Message just by clicking the video; connect to our social media platforms directly; read highlights and scroll through photo galleries from IADC events and conferences you may have missed; link directly to all of the resources the IADC has produced since the last edition of the *Docket*; and build business connections through successes and new members.

The *Docket* can be viewed optimally on computers, tablets, and mobile devices. Still a fan of print? You can view and print [this PDF version](#) which includes all the same great content.

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Congratulations to the new members of the [IADC Board of Directors](#). We thank the Nominating Committee, including Chair Jim Campbell and members Paul Lefebvre, Brooks Magratten, Michele Smith, and Jessie Zeigler for their time and careful consideration.



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## International Corporate Counsel College 13-14 November - Milan, Italy Hotel Dei Cavalieri Milano Duomo

The International Corporate Counsel College brings together in-house counsel and their law firm counterparts for two days of education and discussion on the latest legal issues affecting global companies. This year's program will be held November 13 and 14 in Milan. The theme this year is "Data: The Gold of the XXI Century." The topics were selected by Director Alessandro P. Giorgetti of Studio Legale Giorgetti in Milan, Italy, along with an advisory board of in-house counsel representing companies throughout Europe and North America.

The selected program topics this year include "Data and Information: Anything Lost in Translation?;" "The Legislation of Privacy: North America, Europe, Asia;" "Information Governance;" "Crisis Management in the New Age: Dealing with the 'Butterfly Effect;'" and "Cyber Risk, Its Management and the Data Protection Insurance." A special address will be given by guest speaker Peter McGovern, Canadian Ambassador in Italy (CND).

The location of the meeting also is exceptional. Milan is the main industrial, commercial, and financial center of Italy and a leading global city. A handful of tours are available to participate in, allowing you opportunities to explore the Ambrosian Picture Gallery, discover the art of hospitality in Milan, and view Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper."

You will not want to miss this opportunity to see your international friends and colleagues and network to make new contacts. [Registration is open](#) on the IADC website at [www.iadclaw.org](http://www.iadclaw.org) and the [brochure](#) is posted which includes more information and details. The hotel room block with IADC's special rate closes on October 15, so make your plans before it is too late.

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## The Foundation of the IADC Announces 2015 Foundation Forum Speaker



The Foundation of the IADC is pleased to announce Doris Kearns Goodwin as its 2015 Foundation Forum speaker. Goodwin will speak on “Leadership Lessons of History: Doris Kearns Goodwin on the American Presidents” at the IADC Midyear Meeting in Marco Island, Florida on Sunday, February 15.

Doris Kearns Goodwin is a world-renowned presidential historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning author.

Goodwin is the author of six critically acclaimed and *New York Times* best-selling books, including her most recent, *The Bully Pulpit: Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft, and the Golden Age of Journalism* (November, 2013). *The Bully Pulpit* is a dynamic history of the first decade of the Progressive era, that tumultuous time when the nation was coming unseamed and reform was in the air. Steven Spielberg’s DreamWorks Studios has acquired the film rights to the book.

Spielberg and Goodwin previously worked together on *Lincoln*, based in part on Goodwin’s award-winning *Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln*, an epic tome that illuminates Lincoln’s political genius, as the one-term congressman and prairie lawyer rises from obscurity to prevail over three gifted rivals of national reputation to become president.

The film *Lincoln* grossed \$275 million at the box office and earned 12 Academy Award® nominations, including an Academy Award for actor Daniel Day-Lewis for his portrayal of President Abraham Lincoln.

Goodwin was awarded the Pulitzer Prize in history for *No Ordinary Time: Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt: The Home Front in World War II*, and is the author of the best sellers *Wait Till Next Year*, *Lyndon Johnson and the American Dream* and *The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys*, which was adapted into an award-winning five-part TV mini-series.

Goodwin earned a Ph.D. in Government from Harvard University, where she taught Government, including a course on the American Presidency. She served as an assistant to President Lyndon Johnson in his last year in the White House, and later assisted President Johnson in the preparation of his memoirs. Goodwin is the winner of the Charles Frankel Prize, given by the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Sarah Josepha Hale medal and the Lincoln Prize.

Goodwin resides in Concord, Massachusetts, with her husband, the writer, presidential advisor, speechwriter and playwright Richard N. Goodwin. She was the first woman to enter the Boston Red Sox locker room, and is a devoted fan of the World Series-winning team.

## ON-DEMAND EDUCATION: IADC WEBINARS

IADC Webinars offer members and their colleagues and clients the opportunity to view complimentary educational programs about hot topics from their office, home, or while traveling anywhere in the world with a phone and an internet connection. In addition, we now are recording our Webinar presentations in order for members to view them if they have a conflict during the scheduled presentation time. Please visit our [Past Webinar Materials page](#) under the “Members Only” section of the IADC website to view the Webinar recordings. If a Webinar has a recording, you will find the recording as a web link under each Webinar listing. Webinar recordings will be released two weeks after a Webinar takes place.

We had fantastic presentations before the Annual Meeting from the Business Litigation Committee, Civil Justice Response Committee, Drug, Device and Biotechnology Committee; Insurance and Reinsurance Committee; Medical Defense and Health Law Committee; and the Trial Techniques and Tactics Committee, which rounded out the 22 Webinars presented this association year. The IADC would like to thank all who have participated in making the IADC Webinar program a success, including the presenters, moderators, and Vice Chairs of Webinar.

We are currently accepting Webinar program proposals for the new association year, and available dates are filling up fast! If you have ideas for topics that you would like to see the IADC present via Webinar, please contact your Substantive Law Committee’s Vice Chair of Webinar or Vice Chair of Programs. You can find a listing of the Vice Chairs in the Membership Directory and on the [Committee Business pages](#) on the IADC website. You can also contact Melisa Maisel, Professional Development Manager, at [mmaisel@iadclaw.org](mailto:mmaisel@iadclaw.org).



## SCENES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING IN VIENNA

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to put on the 2014 Annual Meeting in Vienna. It was a huge success with cutting edge programming and many fun social events. Thank you to our planning team – Molly and Steven Craig, Tripp and Cara Haston, and Craig and Deborah Thompson. We also thank our many sponsors: Prestige Sponsor [Altep, Inc.](#) and its affiliate SuperiorReview; Event Sponsors [Courtroom Sciences, Inc.](#), [Discovia, MRC, SEA, Ltd.](#), and [Thomas G. Oakes Associates](#). If you call on these sponsors, make sure they know you saw them at the IADC Annual Meeting! *Click the photo to the left to open the photo gallery of Annual Meeting photos. Click the right and left arrows to scroll through the photos in this gallery.*

## RECAP OF THE 42ND ANNUAL TRIAL ACADEMY

The 42nd Trial Academy took place from July 26 to August 1 at Stanford Law School in Palo Alto, California. A sold out program of 98 students and 14 faculty members participated in mock trial exercises. Brilliant demonstrations were given on opening and closing arguments, and direct and cross examinations of expert and lay witnesses. Faculty and students enjoyed learning from each other and getting to know other trial lawyers.

Students were impressed by just how close the week came to creating the atmosphere surrounding a real trial. By day four, everyone began to feel the effects of sleeping very little, performing a specific element of trial each day, and networking in the evening between preparation periods for the next day's exercises. However, everyone felt that the investment of their time and energy was paying great dividends in sharpening their trial skills. One Trial Academy student said, "I thought the entire Trial Academy experience was exceptional - both in the instruction and the people that I had to opportunity to meet. I'm still adjusting back to Eastern time, but that, the hard work, and the time away were all well worth it."

The faculty named themselves the Pen-Hooligans after their leader John R. Penhallegon of Cornblatt, Bennett, Penhallegon & Roberson, P.A. in Towson, Maryland. Students praised the attention they received from their faculty advisor and praised the practical insight they provided. The faculty became mentors as each group of seven students and one faculty member bonded into strong units. The affection and respect was obvious during the Closing Dinner as each faculty member stood with pride and recounted an anecdote from his or her group.

Next year, Spencer H. Silverglate of Clarke Silverglate, P.A. in Miami, Florida will serve as the 43rd Annual Trial Academy Director. Special recognition goes to this year's faculty members for the generous donation of their time and expertise: R. Bruce Barze, Jr., John J. Bateman, Brigid M. Carpenter, Andrew S. Chamberlin, Mary Alane Downs, Robert H. Hood, Jr., Thomas J. Hurney, Jr., Walter T. Johnson, Wendy D. May, Mary Anne Mellow, Stuart P. Miller, Christopher B. Parkerson, Charles E. Reynolds, II, and Steven R. Schwegman. The IADC also thanks its sponsors [InCourt Technologies](#), [RGL Forensics](#), and [Thomas G. Oakes Associates](#).



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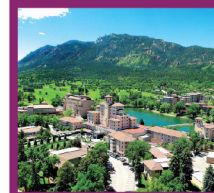
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We will share Think IADC Family First posts on Facebook, in the IADC News, or by email. If you have something you would like to submit for a Think IADC Family First post, please email Ashley Fitzgerald, Communications Manager, at [afitzgerald@iadclaw.org](mailto:afitzgerald@iadclaw.org).

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## Regional Meeting Recaps

### **Charleston, South Carolina Regional Meeting**

On May 15, 2014, the Charleston Regional Meeting was held at the home of Bobby and Bernie Hood. Bobby, Jr. and Jamie Hood hosted the meeting, and the cocktail reception was in honor of their sister and then IADC President Molly Craig. There were more than 70 attendees, which included many state and federal judges. All in attendance enjoyed the opportunity to network and visit with friends. Jamie Hood addressed the group and toasted Molly on her successful year as President of the IADC. Afterwards, John T. Lay delivered remarks on behalf of the Board of Directors and also toasted Molly for her service and contributions. It was a special evening for Molly and a great opportunity to enhance the visibility of the IADC among the judiciary. Thank you to local hosts Bobby Hood, Jr. and Jamie Hood.



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## Regional Meeting Recaps

### Stuttgart, Germany Regional Meeting

On Friday, May 23, the Stuttgart Regional Meeting took place, with 78 members from 18 different countries in attendance. Programming included a seminar on legal writing from Bryan A. Garner, Editor-in-Chief of *Black's Law Dictionary*. Thank you to local host Anton Maurer, CMS Hasche Sigle.

### Toronto, Ontario Canada Regional Meeting

Dozens of IADC members from six different Provinces and several US states attended the Canadian Regional Meeting hosted by Gordon McKee of Blake Cassels at Blakes' office in Toronto on June 3, 2014. David Hamer, Pamela McGovern, Peter Pliszka, and Dan Reisler presented brief summaries of important and relevant decisions to the defense bar on class action certification and summary judgment motions, exceptions to the settlement privilege, how counsel can/should work with their expert witnesses, and a decision regarding the new and ill-defined tort of unlawful interference with economic relations. Gordon McKee outlined the new project on class actions in Ontario which included a comprehensive review of the Class Proceedings Act. A discussion on this topic took place about the possibility of establishing a working group which would make submissions to the project advisory group. Thank you to local host S. Gordon McKee, Blake, Cassels & Graydon, LLP.

### New York, New York Regional Meeting

The New York Regional Meeting was held Wednesday, August 27. Attendees enjoyed a New York Mets vs. Atlanta Braves baseball game at Citi Field while networking with one another. Thank you to R. Matthew Cairns, Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell, PC, for hosting the event and to all of those who attended.



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## **IADC RESOURCES** *Here's the latest IADC resources since the last issue of the Docket:*

### **WEBINARS**

- Exclusion of FDA Evidence in Medical Device Trials: May 7 ([Presentation](#) and [Recording](#))
- Medicare Reporting: Navigating the Labyrinth of Regulations: May 14 ([Presentation](#) and [Recording](#))
- Rethinking Demonstrative Evidence in the Real World: June 4 ([Presentation](#))
- Overcoming Tensions Between Drug/Device Defendants and Treating Physicians: June 18 ([Presentation](#) and [Recording](#))
- The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau: A View From Above: June 25 ([Presentation](#) and [Recording](#))
- Love Boat Meets Law and Order: Update on Liability for Cruise Passenger Injuries: September 3 ([Presentation](#) and [Recording](#))

### **AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS**

- IADC Joins U.S. Chamber of Commerce Amicus Brief in the U.S. Supreme Court Urging Review of Article III Standing Issue: June 20
- IADC Joins U.S. Supreme Court Amicus Brief with FDCC and Washington Legal Foundation, Urging Reversal of Tenth Circuit's Refusal to Give Effect to CAFA Notice of Removal: June 25
- Texas Supreme Court Rejects "Any Exposure" to Asbestos Argument: July 25

To read about these amicus curiae briefs, view the "[Recent IADC Amicus Briefs](#)" section on the Amicus Curiae page on the IADC website.

### **QUICK REFERENCE GUIDES**

- [Canadian Product Liability Quick Reference Guide](#) from the Product Liability Committee
- 2nd Edition of the Drug, Device and Biotechnology [Initial Checklist](#) and [Full Checklist](#) from the Drug, Device and Biotechnology Committee

### **COMMITTEE NEWSLETTERS**

From May 7 to September 4, IADC Committees published 40 newsletters. The following Committees published newsletters during this time: [Alternative Dispute Resolution](#), [Business Litigation](#), [Drug, Device and Biotechnology](#), [Employment Law](#), [Environmental and Energy Law](#), [Fidelity and Surety](#), [Insurance and Reinsurance](#), [International, Medical Defense and Health Law](#), [Product Liability](#), [Professional Liability](#), [Toxic and Hazardous Substances Litigation](#), [Transportation](#), and [Trial Techniques and Tactics](#). To view the newsletters, please click on the Committee to go to its Committee Business page where the newsletters are archived. If you would like to join a Substantive Law Committee, please email Maria Juarez, Administrative Assistant, at [mjuarez@iadclaw.org](mailto:mjuarez@iadclaw.org).

## IADC SUCCESSES

**John J. Haggerty**, of Fox Rothschild LLP, was named Co-Chair of the firm's National Litigation Department. He will develop and manage the overall strategy of the firm's coast-to-coast network of litigation attorneys.

**J. Calhoun Watson**, of Sowell Gray Stepp & Laffitte in Columbia, was sworn in as the 2014-15 President of the South Carolina Bar on May 8, 2014.

**Monica A. Frois**, a shareholder in Baker Donelson's New Orleans office, was named to the board of managers of the Hermann-Grima and Gallier Historic Houses.

**Michael M. Marick**, a partner with the Chicago-based law firm of Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson LLP, was elected to the Board of Regents of the American College of Coverage and Extracontractual Counsel.

**Mary-Christine "M.C." Sungaila**, partner in Snell & Wilmer's Orange County office, was named to the *Daily Journal's* 2014 list of Top Women Lawyers.

**Brian O'Connell**, of Zizik, Powers, O'Connell, Spaulding & Lamontagne, P.C., appeared as a legal analyst on Fox 25 Boston, commenting on the May 4 Providence, Rhode Island circus accident which injured several performers.

**Thomas J. Hurney, Jr.**, a member of Jackson Kelly PLLC, was presented with the first Defense Lawyer of the Year Award by the Defense Trial Counsel of West Virginia at its 2014 Annual Meeting in May. He was also presented with The Robert L. Ghiz Award for Outstanding Service to the Physician Community of West Virginia by the West Virginia Mutual Insurance Company.

For the seventh consecutive year, **Larry D. Smith**, Managing Partner of Southern Trial Counsel PLC, was selected to the 2014 Florida *Super Lawyers* list.

**William A. Ruskin** joined Gordon & Rees as a partner in the Environmental/Toxic Tort and Agricultural Chemicals & Pesticides Practice Groups. He is affiliated with the firm's New York office.

**Sandra Corbett Q.C.**, of Field LLP, was the thirteenth recipient of the prestigious Lee Samis Award of Excellence from the Canadian Defence Lawyers.

## IADC SUCCESSES

The law firm of Gallivan, White & Boyd, P.A. was selected for inclusion in the 2014 edition of *Chambers USA*, Leading Lawyers for Business as a Leading Law Firm in Commercial Litigation. Additionally, firm attorneys **Daniel B. White** and **John T. Lay, Jr.** were chosen as leading business attorneys in the field of Commercial Litigation.

**Kevin Smith**, of Wiggin and Dana LLP, published an article, Punitive Damage Limits in Products Liability Actions, in the ABA Products Liability Committee Newsletter, fall of 2013. He also was the recipient of Wiggin and Dana LLP's Annual Pro Bono Achievement Award.

Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P. trial lawyer **Scott D. Marrs** was elected to the American Board of Trial Advocates.

**Andrew P. Botti**, of McLane Law Firm, co-authored an Op Ed piece called "They Protect Small Businesses" for *The New York Times* in June.

**Michael J. Farrell**, Founding Member of Farrell, White & Legg PLLC, was honored with an induction into the June Harless Center Hall of Fame.

**Michael Connelly**, a partner in Connelly Baker Wotring LLP, was elected Chairman of Insuralex for 2014-2016. Insuralex is a global network of law firms which have special qualifications for insurance/reinsurance and litigation matters.

On July 1, 2014, **Flavio Bertoli** joined Osram Licht AG as head of the company's Compliance Legal department.

Four IADC members of law firm Gallivan, White & Boyd, P.A. were recognized as being among Greenville's Legal Elite for 2014 by *Greenville Business Magazine*. They include: **Phillip E. Reeves** for Insurance; **T. David Rheney** for Insurance; **Luanne Lambert Runge** for Healthcare; and **Daniel B. White** for Civil Litigation.

**Eve B. Masinter**, a partner at Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, L.L.P. in New Orleans, was listed in the 2014 edition of *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* for Louisiana. She was recognized in the category of Labor & Employment.

**Michele Smith**, a shareholder with MehaffyWeber, was presented the 2014 Cris Quinn Community Service Award by Jefferson County Bar Association. This award recognizes an attorney who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to public service in addition to admirable service to the legal profession.

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**Alan Schwartz**, of Wiggin and Dana LLP, accepted the Anti-Defamation League's 2013 Greater New Haven Torch of Liberty Award at the ADL's Centennial Gala. This award is presented to outstanding citizens and corporations whose work has helped strengthen the community.

Six IADC members at the law firm Christian & Small in Birmingham, Alabama were selected for inclusion on the list of Alabama *Super Lawyers* 2014. They include: **LaBella S. Alvis** for Personal Injury Defense; **Thomas W. Christian** for Civil Litigation Defense; **Robert E. Cooper** for Personal Injury Defense: Medical Malpractice; **Edgar M. Elliott, IV** for Civil Litigation Defense; **Richard E. Smith** for Business Litigation; and **Sharon Donaldson Stuart** for Business Litigation. **Sharon Donaldson Stuart** was also named to the 2014 Top Women Alabama *Super Lawyers* list.

Many IADC members were named to the 2015 edition of *Best Lawyers in America*, one of the most respected peer-reviewed publications in the legal profession. Some IADC members were also given the title "Lawyer of the Year" which are presented to a single outstanding lawyer within each practice area and city. Read our [news article](#) on the IADC website to view what some of our IADC members were recognized for.

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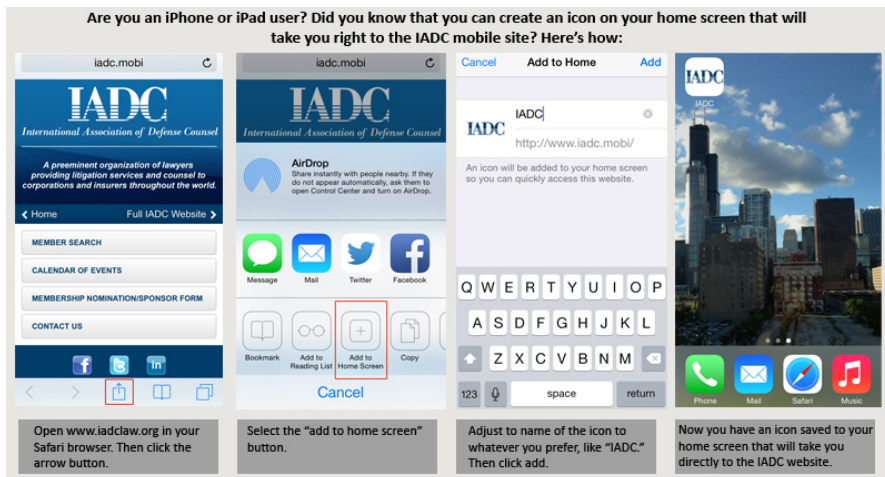
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## Upcoming Regional Meetings

IADC Regional Meetings offer the perfect opportunity for you to get together with IADC members in your area to network and discuss critical local issues. The meetings are interesting, informative, convenient, and fun.

We have Regional Meetings in Sydney, Australia on October 10, Hong Kong on October 13, Milan on November 12, and Washington DC on December 4.

Please check the [Regional Meeting page](#) on the IADC website for finalized locations, dates, and event information.

## Dues Notices

Dues notices will be arriving in your mailboxes soon!

To continue your benefits of belonging to the IADC, please pay your dues by **November 1, 2014**.

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May 13 - 15, 2015

**IADC/FDCC Joint Law Firm Management Conference**

*The Conrad  
Chicago, Illinois USA*

February 14 - 18, 2015

**Midyear Meeting**

*Marriott Marco Island  
Marco Island, Florida USA*

May 28, 2015

**Professional Liability Roundtable**

*New York University School of Law  
New York, New York USA*

April 16 - 17, 2015

**Corporate Counsel College**

*The Ritz-Carlton  
Chicago, Illinois USA*

July 5 - 10, 2015

**Annual Meeting**

*The Broadmoor  
Colorado Springs, Colorado USA*

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