



## Emerging Bad Faith Issues under Professional Liability Policies

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Please join us for a complimentary Webinar (Web-based seminar produced through Adobe Connect) sponsored by the IADC Insurance and Reinsurance Committee and Professional Liability Committee on Wednesday, October 12, 2016 for one (1) hour beginning at:

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### **HOW TO REGISTER:**

**ONLINE REGISTRATION!** Although there is no fee to attend, you must register so that the IADC can plan accordingly for the number of interested participants. [Click here](#) to register online. You must be logged in with your IADC username and password in order to register. If you are registering multiple participants from the same firm, please register each participant individually.

We hope that you will join us for this exciting and informative program. If you have any questions, please contact **Melisa Maisel Vanis, Professional Development Manager**, at [mmaisel@iadclaw.org](mailto:mmaisel@iadclaw.org) or by telephone at 312.368.1494.

### **THE PRESENTATION:**

#### **Emerging Bad Faith Issues under Professional Liability Policies**

The increase in bad faith claims has reached all areas of the insurance industry, including professional liability insurance. In this presentation, a panel of experienced practitioners will provide a frank discussion on emerging issues surrounding bad faith claims under professional liability policies. The presenters will address issues such as how to avoid bad faith exposure in the context of policies with eroding and/or lower limits; an insurer's duties of good faith when an insured seeks to control escalating defense costs; practical considerations for claims handlers when responding to bad faith scenarios; and problematic jurisdictions for bad faith liability, focusing on certain states' efforts to pass legislation that expands coverage in ways that were never intended when the policies were drafted.

### **THE PRESENTERS:**

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David Devinger is a senior claim handler managing various professional liability claims involving lawyers, architects and engineers, and real estate errors and omission. He began his career as an appellate attorney for the state of Illinois before moving into the insurance defense arena. For more than 20 years, he has worked for several property and casualty insurance companies as both an adjuster and team leader across multiple lines of business, including mass tort, environmental, construction defects, and municipal liability.

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