



2025 Annual Meeting

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FAIRMONT LE CHÂTEAU FRONTENAC
QUÉBEC, QUÉBEC CANADA



Printable Full Schedule

- schedule as of May 7 -

Friday, July 4, 2025

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday, July 5, 2025

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Board of Directors Meeting

2:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Registration Desk

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3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

IADC Cross Examination Clinic for Non-U.S. Members

The IADC Trial Academy has been an informative experience for non-U.S. attendees by giving them insight and practice into typical U.S. trial proceedings.

We invite our non-U.S. members to kick off our Annual Meeting educational offerings by attending a one-hour demonstration of a cross examination put on by past and current Trial Academy faculty. The program will include mock cross examinations of fact and expert witnesses. This will be an opportunity to observe, learn, ask questions, and share experiences on this aspect of a trial.

Please make plans to arrive in Québec a little early as we will provide this free offering before our First Timer Introductions. There is no separate registration fee but members must be registered for the Annual Meeting to attend. Sign-ups are not required.

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

First Timers Introductions

The First Timers program is for all IADC members and their registered guest(s) who have never attended a Midyear or Annual Meeting. At this introduction, you will learn more about the IADC and the Annual Meeting. You will also meet other First Timers and their member Hosts, as well as the Board of Directors and Past Presidents in attendance, so throughout the meeting you will see familiar faces.

Resort casual attire.

Thank you to First Timers Chairs Brian and Michele O'Connell.

5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

First Timers Reception

Join other First Timers with their families and their member Hosts at this reception that takes place prior to the *Bienvenue au Québec! Welcome Reception*.



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6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Bienvenue au Québec! Welcome Reception

We kick off our meeting with time to see old friends and meet new ones. You'll meet our First Timers and Second Timers with the red and green badges and make plans to reconnect with colleagues and friends. For those bringing kids, you'll find nibbles and some games for the little kids in the Bellevue Room. Older kids can gather with our Senior Kid Ambassadors Emma, Grace, and Jack Drewry in the Rose Room.

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Please note: All registered attendees (main registrants, spouses, guests, and children) are invited. Name badge required for entry.

10:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

After Dinner Gathering

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Sunday, July 6, 2025

6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.

Morning Run

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7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Game On: Intellectual Property Strategies for Athletic Events

Committee Sponsor: Intellectual Property

When it comes to major sporting events and the sports sector generally, IP rights can be infringed in many ways. This presentation will review practices in implementing brand protection strategies, understanding sponsorship relationships, traditional and ambush marketing, and enforcement of IP rights. The panel will also discuss international brand strategies and programs, using case studies to discuss issues that arose at the 2024 Paris Olympics, and the upcoming 2026 FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association) World Cup to be hosted in Canada, United States, and Mexico.

Speaker: *Elio F. Martinez, Jr., Gray Robinson, Miami, Florida USA*

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Legal and Risk Management Considerations Related to Safe System and Road to Zero Strategies

Committee Co-Sponsors: Construction Law and Litigation, Insurance and Reinsurance, Insurance Executives, Transportation

What are the legal and practical considerations for a national Safe Systems behavioral safety approach based on the premise that the transportation system should be designed and operated to accommodate human mistakes?

Come find out as we explore the topics of shared responsibility amongst road users, road designers and managers, the automotive industry, police, and governmental entities.

Speakers: *John L. Campbell, Exponent, Bellevue, Washington USA; William A. Thomas, Gausnell O'Keefe & Thomas, St. Louis, Missouri USA*

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Recklessness, Greed, and Guinea Pigs: How Mass Tort Litigation Targets Women

Committee Co-Sponsors: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging, Drug, Device and Biotechnology, Medical Defense and Health Law, Product Liability

For decades, women's health issues have dominated mass tort litigation. Far more gender-specific mass torts are aimed at drugs and devices for women—including breast cancer drugs, HPV vaccines, breast implants, oral HRT and contraceptives, drugs for 'morning sickness,' and pelvic mesh, to name a few. The plaintiffs' bar would have the public believe that the extent of litigation over products for women reflects a recklessness by corporations that develop products for women—treating women like guinea pigs.

But are women targeted by corporations or by litigations? Costly mass torts, unsupported by science but successful because of skillful lawyering by plaintiffs' counsel, sympathetic juries, and a lack of rigorous gatekeeping by courts can result in products being pulled from the market, only for the junk science the litigation was based on to be demonstrated later to be misleading or outright false—think silicone breast implants, Bendectin, and oral HRT. If women are to be left with fewer options, then such severe consequences should be based only on sound and proven science—and lead to an outcome that truly serves women's health and well-being.



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Speakers: Amy Sherry Fischer, Foliart, Huff, Ottaway & Bottom, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma USA; Diana Katz Gerstel, Tucker Ellis LLP, Morristown, New Jersey USA; Zane C. Riester, Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey USA

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Opening Session

We encourage you to attend this general session where IADC President Donna Lamontagne will give a State of the Association address and valuable meeting highlights and information will be shared. *The Opening Session is not available for CLE credit.*

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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Open Forum: A Chat with Bruce Jackson

The IADC is pleased to welcome Bruce Jackson as our Open Forum speaker.

Bruce Jackson is currently a consultant for Microsoft. After 24 years, he retired as an associate general counsel and managing director for strategic partnerships out of the office of the president at Microsoft. Jackson was involved with the corporation's government affairs and corporate citizenship initiatives. Jackson also provided legal support to a \$20 billion sales operation in a previous role.

Prior to joining Microsoft in 2000 as corporate counsel for the Digital Media Division, Jackson founded the entertainment law firm of Jackson, Brown, Powell, and St. George, representing the likes of Heavy D, Pete Rock & CL Smooth, L.L. Cool J, and Busta Rhymes.

He has received Microsoft's diversity award, participated in Microsoft's law and corporate affairs' diversity efforts, helped launch Microsoft's Elevate American Veterans Initiative, and worked to develop its diverse recruitment pipeline. He is a current board member of the National Association for Women and Minority Owned Law Firms, and the Hip Hop Museum. *Never Far from Home* is his first book.

Throughout his career, Bruce's passion has lied in driving diversity and inclusion in the legal profession and tech industry. He has a bachelor's degree in Accounting from Hofstra University, and a JD/Tax LLM from Georgetown University where he studied law and tax.

Thank you to Open Forum Chair JT Wilson.

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Making an Impact and Making the Most of Your Investment: Selecting and Becoming Part of IADC Leadership

"What is the Nominating Committee? Why should I go talk to them? What do I say?" "How do I get more involved in IADC?" "How can I increase my chances of generating business?" "I have a question about..."

Please join us for a session that covers how IADC leaders are selected, what the role of each is, and how you can contribute and participate in IADC to make the most of your membership. Attendees will also have the chance to *ask anything* about the IADC and getting more out of your membership.

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cruise on the St. Lawrence River (\$)

See the city of Québec, the St. Lawrence River, and their history from a whole new angle! Join a famous explorer on this cruise aboard the M/V Louis Jolliet for fascinating anecdotes and a fresh look at history and geography. Along with our guide, discover the bucolic charm of the Orleans Island; admire Montmorency Falls, the highest waterfall in Eastern Canada; view the port installations on both shores of the St. Lawrence River; and cruise beneath the prestigious Château Frontenac perched atop Cap Diamant, with the majestic Laurentian Mountains in the background. What a lovely cruise!

The registration fee is \$105.00 USD per person and includes a professional tour guide, 90-minute boat ride, funicular ticket for the return to hotel, coupons for two cocktails onboard, and bottled water.

Important Details: Attendees should wear comfortable shoes and weather appropriate clothing. It can be windy on the deck of the boat.

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Historical Walking Tour of Old Québec (\$)

Old Québec, also known as Québec City's Old Town, is a UNESCO World Heritage site. As one of the oldest European settlements in North America, it remains the most well-preserved fortified city on the continent, with its colonial architecture standing strong for more than 400 years. This historic and cultural hub is not only the heart of Québec City but also the birthplace of French North America. This walking tour will cover the sights in the area's two distinct sections: the Upper Town and the Lower Town, each offering a unique atmosphere and a wealth of attractions.

The registration fee is \$65.00 USD per person and includes a professional tour guide, a coffee stop, funicular ticket, and bottled water.

Important Details: Attendees should wear comfortable shoes and weather appropriate clothing.

2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Family Games

Get ready for some fun competition for the whole family! We will divide up into teams and play a variety of games in which adults and kids can participate.

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International Steering Committee Business Meeting

Invitation only. Members of the International Steering Committee will receive an invitation and calendar appointment.

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

First/Second Timers, Current/Past Board Members, and Sponsors Reception

Invited guests will receive an emailed invitation prior to the meeting with a request to RSVP.

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Adult Children (18+) Mix and Mingle

Join fellow IADC “kids” at this Adult Children Mix and Mingle, hosted by Annie, Cayce, and Mary Patriarca in the Presidential Suite. This event is strictly for registered attendees 18 years old and above.

The Adult Children Mix and Mingle is complimentary, and sign-ups are not required.

The IADC follows the local laws at its meetings regarding alcohol consumption. The legal drinking age in Québec City is 18. Alcohol consumption by children under 18 at IADC events is strictly prohibited.

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Member Mix and Mingle (\$)

Meet up with friends and fellow attendees in the Rose Room before going out for the evening at this cash bar reception.

6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

International Reception and Dinner (\$)

Invited guests will receive an emailed invitation prior to the meeting with a request to register.

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Ghost Tour (\$)

As the sky begins to darken, the costumed guides of *Les Visites Fantômes de Québec* strike a match and light their lanterns. You’ll be walking through the streets of Old Québec to hear 400-year-old stories of murders, executions, mysteries, and ghosts on a 90-minute walking tour. Stone-paved streets and ancient buildings set the scene for a truly unique experience. Hear the tales that history books have tried to forget...chills guaranteed.

The registration fee is \$45.00 USD per person and includes a professional tour guide.

Important Details: Attendees should wear comfortable shoes and weather appropriate clothing.

9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Family Dessert Bar After Dinner Gathering

End the night with a sweet treat and good times with other IADC families. Desserts and non-alcoholic beverages are provided. Adults and kids are welcome.

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Avoiding Deposition Disasters - Strategies for the Preparation and Defense of Claim Executives Under Rule 30(b)(6)

Committee Sponsor: Insurance and Reinsurance

This program will take a fresh look at deposition preparation for witnesses unique to the insurance industry, and will include an in-depth review of issues that are specific to insurance company executives. From a broader perspective, it will also address responding to 30(b)(6) issues and questions which speak to overall risk management, and thusly be appropriate for in-house counsel/risk managers outside of the insurance context.

Speaker: Steven Peiper, Hurwitz Fine, P.C., Buffalo, New York USA



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Collective Redress in the EU – Where We Are Now

Committee Co-Sponsors: Class Actions and Multi-Party Litigation, Product Liability

The EU Representative Actions Directive (EU) 2020/1828 entered into force on 20 December 2020. The Directive signifies an important development in consumer law, as it empowers certain approved bodies to bring representative actions on behalf of consumers. Most EU Member States have now transposed the Directive into national law. The Directive introduces important changes for companies operating in jurisdictions like Ireland, where avenues for collective, class, or group actions have, until now, been limited, expensive, and time-consuming. The Directive represents a profound change in the rights available to consumers to bring collective and cross border actions in relation to a wide range of EU consumer protection legislation. For businesses, this means an increased liability exposure and an inevitable increase in litigation with the introduction of cross-border collective actions of particular interest to businesses with a presence in multiple EU Member States. The session panel will examine the new legal framework for collective actions under the Directive and highlight important practical considerations about their potential impact for economic operators and other relevant stakeholders. It therefore offers attendees a valuable forum in which to discuss the future of collective consumer legislation in the EU.

Speakers: Philipp Behrendt, Taylor Wessing Partnerschaftsgesellschaft MbB, Hamburg, Germany; Aisling Morrough

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Texas Fold 'Em: Dissecting the Success and Failure of the Texas Two-Step in Mass Torts and How It's Utilized Today

Committee Sponsor: Product Liability

Once a successful new strategy that companies used to avoid corporate liability, the Texas Two-Step was an avenue that helped to ease the pressure of expensive mass tort actions with the ability to bankrupt a company. However, it has been increasingly scrutinized and challenged in courts in some of the most high-profile mass tort actions resulting in recent rulings potentially limiting its effectiveness. In this presentation, presenters will explain how the various court rulings effectively changed the game resulting in transforming what was a safe haven for companies seeking to protect itself from large losses to what it is today.

Speaker: Marc E. Williams, Nelson Mullins, Huntington, West Virginia USA

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Bigger Brother: The Global Reach of Europe's AI Liability Framework

Committee Co-Sponsors: Cyber Security, Data Privacy and Technology, Product Liability

As adoption of Artificial Intelligence (AI) continues to accelerate across the EU, civil liability rules relating to damage that is traceable back to AI systems remain underdeveloped and unclear. The EU's proposed Artificial Intelligence Liability Directive (AILD) aims to harmonize certain aspects of fault-based EU civil liability frameworks as they apply to AI. It forms part of a suite of EU legislation



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designed to regulate AI, which also includes the EU's AI Act (Regulation (EU) 2024/1689) and the proposed revised Product Liability Directive (PLD). The PLD aims to modernize the existing no-fault strict liability regime for products, to include software and the addition of additional factors to be considered when determining whether a product is defective, such as a product's interconnectedness, self-learning functionality, and cybersecurity vulnerabilities.

The panelists will provide an overview of the proposed requirements and offer practical first-hand insights and advice to attendees about how best to adapt to them. Providers, deployers, importers, distributors, and users of AI will gain a greater and real-world understanding of what is expected of them from the suite of legislation regulating AI and how they can best adapt to and prepare for the changes, both adopted and proposed.

Speakers: Katie Chandler, Taylor Wessing, London, England; Michaela Herron, Mason Hayes & Curran LLP, Dublin, Ireland; Pablo Rojas Abad, MedTech Europe, Brussels, Belgium; James Vinocur, Baxter International, Deerfield, Illinois USA

8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Voir Dire in a Changing Landscape

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Committee Co-Sponsors: Drug, Device and Biotechnology, Product Liability

Win Your Case in Voir Dire

It has often been said that a case can be won or lost in *voir dire*. This panel will be an interactive discussion with expert input from a jury consultant who is straight from the present-day trenches, as well as a demonstration of do's and don'ts from preeminent trial lawyers. The consultant and panelists will focus on nuances of *voir dire* that the audience should consider given the differences in communication and attention of millennial jurors.

Speakers: James B. Hood, Hood Law Firm, LLC, Charleston, South Carolina USA; Christina Marinakis, Immersion Legal Jury LLC, Los Angeles, California USA; Bryant J. Spann, Thomas, Combs & Spann, LLC, Charleston, West Virginia USA; Amy M. Stewart, Stewart Law Group, Dallas, Texas USA

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If You Build It, They Will Come - Proliferation of Frivolous Mass Tort Cases and Overcoming Obstacles to Resolution

Committee Sponsor: Drug, Device and Biotechnology

Mass torts can take many forms – multi-district litigation, consolidated state court proceedings, or scattershot filings. Many of the procedures that ease the administrative burden in mass torts, such as Short Form Complaints, Plaintiff Fact Sheets, etc., can allow Plaintiffs to disguise “junk cases” that give the false impression that Plaintiff's counsel have a more robust inventory than they



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actually do. If settlement discussions occur, Plaintiffs often will try to leverage the numbers in their inventories to get an inflated value for the “junk cases.”

This panel will address tools that can be employed in mass tort cases to identify and weed out frivolous cases. Examples include 1) applying Iqbal/Twombly principles in mass tort pleadings; 2) “Lone Pine” procedures; 3) early requirements for product identification; 4) early motions on the statute of limitations; and 5) proof of medical conditions. The panel will also discuss creative approaches to overall litigation management and for settlement discussions where “junk” and weak cases are at play.

Speakers: *David Cooner, Becton Dickinson and Company, Franklin Lakes, New Jersey USA; Connie A. Matteo, Pfizer Inc., New York, New York USA; James F. Rogers, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, Columbia, South Carolina USA; Randy Sutton, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, Toronto, Ontario Canada*

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Developing and Delivering A Cure: Legal Obstacles to Global Development and Delivery of New Life Sciences and Health Care Products

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Committee Co-Sponsors: Drug, Device and Biotechnology, Insurance Executives, Medical Defense and Health Law

What are the legal, regulatory, and practical problems for the development and delivery of life science products to global markets? Find out as we focus on the evolving issues and challenges medical products companies face in navigating through regulatory bodies and legal issues in global markets. We’ll unravel the complexities of these challenges by analyzing an interdisciplinary problem at the intersection of technology and medical products/healthcare law.

Speakers: *Roxana Aleali, Purdue Pharma L.P., Stamford, Connecticut USA; Nicholas Benetatos, Exponent, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania USA; Jennifer L. Bragg, Latham & Watkins LLP, Washington, District of Columbia USA; James Chang, Shockwave Medical, Inc., Santa Clara, California USA*

1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Aerial Hebertism (\$)

Discover aerial hebertism! In the heart of Québec City’s biggest nature park, the Nature-Adventure Park Arbraska offers you a one-of-a-kind experience: an aerial ropes course in an urban forest. With four activity stations for adults and for kids, there is no doubt that every participant will be challenged. There are different levels of difficulty adaptable to your ability, and guides who follow you during the entire activity to help when requested.

The registration fee is \$190.00 USD per person and includes transportation, an onsite coordinator, entry fee, bottled water, and snacks.

Important Details: For participants 5 years or older. Minimum height is 140 cm. (approximately 55 in.) and maximum weight is 113 kg. (approximately 250 lbs.). Attendees must wear closed shoes and weather appropriate clothing.

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Afternoon Tea (\$)

Join us for a delightful afternoon of tea, delectable treats, and time together in the beautiful Champlain restaurant.



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The registration fee is \$90.00 USD per person for a private tea service. Alcoholic beverages are not included in this registration fee but can be ordered a la carte at the participant's expense.

Thank you to Afternoon Tea Chair Lisa Parliament.

1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Local Taste of Québec Walking Tour (\$)

Throughout this tour, you will gain insight into the rich history of Québec City as you visit several renowned landmarks. You will have the opportunity to meet local producers and sample their artisanal products, including homemade popcorn, handmade chocolate fudge, goat cheese, local cider, and nougat. The tour culminates in the historic district of Petit-Champlain and Place Royale. Stroll along the charming cobblestone streets, where you'll discover 400-year-old buildings that have been transformed into art boutiques, bistros, local produce shops, and galleries.

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Speed-Networking for IADC Members

SPONSORED BY THE ENGAGEMENT AND RETENTION COMMITTEE AND DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION AND BELONGING COMMITTEE

Networking can be one of the most powerful and productive activities an individual can do to enhance both their professional and personal relationships. And speed-networking, taking its cue from speed-dating, has emerged as a popular variation on the traditional business networking event. Structured and fast-paced, speed-networking allows participants to interact with others in a series of brief one-on-one exchanges in a round robin type format. IADC members: Expand your IADC network and relationships and be sure to register for this event.

Speed-Networking for IADC Members is complimentary and open to IADC members ONLY, but registration is required to participate.

6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Museum and Music Theme Party

Just down the hill from the hotel in the Old Québec neighborhood is the fantastic Musée de la Civilisation. The museum houses a variety of interesting and interactive exhibits including a Titanic exhibit, a kids discovery zone, and even an exhibit about Québec history through the theme of encounters. We'll have the whole museum, including fantastic outdoor spaces, to ourselves. In honor of the big music festival also happening during our meeting, our night includes music! In addition to fabulous food, we'll also have a DJ and strolling Québec folklore musicians.

Dress is casual but we encourage people to embrace the theme and wear your favorite band t-shirt or dress as a popular musician!

The Musée de la Civilisation is approximately a 10-15 minute walk from the hotel. Attendees may walk to the Theme Party, or there will be buses available. Transportation details will be shared with onsite registrants.

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Put a Lid On It! Strategies to Counter the Early Policy Limits Demand

Committee Co-Sponsors: Insurance Executives, Medical Defense and Health Law, Professional Liability, Trial Techniques and Tactics

One of the strategic tools fostered by the plaintiffs' bar is the use of premature policy limits demands. In doing so, they force the hand of the defense bar in its protection of the insured and enables the argument that the policy now has a "lids off" limit. The use of policy limits demands creates an unfair advantage for the defense, as typically, discovery is in its infancy: little to no investigation has been conducted and such policy demands are either statutory with accompanying penalties and interest, or they are otherwise time-limited. While there is very little, if any, downside for the plaintiffs in making such an early and often inflated demand, the resulting pressure placed upon the defense often creates a difficult quagmire for all interested parties of the tripartite relationship. While the insured has a duty to make reasonable settlement decisions, the insured may feel forced to consent to settlement of an amount in excess of the true value of the case and the defense counsel is in the middle, striving to develop a game plan to effectively diffuse this often unfair tactical maneuver. This session will address means of attack on such pro-forma policy time-limits demands.



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Speakers: Bill Bower, Gallagher Bassett, Rolling Meadows, Illinois USA; Constance A. Endelicato, Wood Smith Henning Berman, Los Angeles, California USA

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

The Supreme Court's Deconstruction of the "Administrative State" - How the Diminishing Powers of Regulatory Agencies Affect Your Clients

Committee Co-Sponsors: Corporate Compliance and Government Enforcement Actions, Drug, Device and Biotechnology, Product Liability

The Supreme Court has recently issued several decisions that have curtailed the authority of federal agencies. Examples include *Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo*, (overruling the Chevron doctrine, which had required courts to defer to “reasonable” agency interpretations of “ambiguous” statutes); *Corner Post, Inc. v. Bd. of Governors of the Fed. Rsrv. Sys.*, (holding that the six-year statute of limitations to challenge an agency regulation does not begin to run until the plaintiff is injured by the regulation); *SEC v. Jarkesy*, (holding that a statute that allows an agency to use administrative law judges to adjudicate civil fines violates the Seventh Amendment right to a jury trial); *West Virginia v. EPA*, (utilizing the “major questions doctrine” to set aside agency regulations as beyond the agency’s statutory authority); and *Kisor v. Wilkie* (limiting the circumstances under which courts can defer to an agency’s “reasonable” interpretation of an “ambiguous” regulation). The panel will discuss ways in which companies regulated by federal agencies can use these court decisions to their advantage, as well as potential risks that such companies face as a result of these decisions.

Speakers: Edward Dumoulin, Goldman Ismail Tomaselli Brennan & Baum LLP, Chicago, Illinois USA; James C. Fraser, Thompson Hine LLP, Washington, District of Columbia USA; Andrew Tsui, Arnall Golden Gregory LLP, Washington, District of Columbia USA

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

TikTok on the Clock, Will the Party Stop? Breaking Down the California Social Media MDL and the Upcoming Bellwether Trials

Committee Sponsor: Product Liability

In 2023, a federal MDL was created made up of individual plaintiffs, school districts, and state attorneys general on behalf of children and adolescents against five major social media platforms: Meta’s Facebook and Instagram, Google’s YouTube, ByteDance’s TikTok, and Snapchat asserting that the app’s addictive design features are doing damage to the mental health of children and teens.

With the first bellwether trial scheduled to begin on October 11, 2025, this panel will breakdown the claims, defenses, and scientific evidence fueling this litigation and discuss expectations for the upcoming trial.

Speakers: Stacy L. Douglas, Everett Dorey, Los Angeles, California USA; Zandra E. Foley, Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP, Houston, Texas USA

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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A Trusted and Effective Trial Lawyer: How to Be Exactly What In-House Counsel Needs When They Are Dealing With a Conflict in a Difficult Jurisdiction

Committee Sponsor: In-House and Law Firm Management

As a trial attorney, when you practice in jurisdictions that do not realistically offer summary resolution of cases, one of three good things should happen: (1) You become awfully good at negotiating settlements; (2) you learn how to win the tough case; and (3) sometimes you do both. Unless you want to spend your career compromising claims and negotiating settlements, you have to develop not only the competence to try cases but also the skill set needed to give your clients the confidence in your abilities to win the case.

This panel will provide you insights on being an effective trial counsel — not just a litigator — and in the process how to become your clients trusted ally. The panel will offer insights from experienced trial lawyers from different practice areas, jurisdictions, and even continents. In-house counsel will share insights on how and why outside counsel is selected and outside counsel will share their strategies and techniques for developing a trusting relationship with clients as well as juries. Topics will cover pre-trial actions through verdict and include practice pointers on often forgotten, ignored, or underappreciated skill sets such as developing an effective budget or conducting an effective *voir dire*. The panel will discuss the importance of offering a real evaluation of a case and not just saying “odds are 50/50” or “you can never tell what a jury will do” and how to get there.

Speakers: Jennifer Doan, Haltom & Doan, Texarkana, Texas USA; Alexander Geisler, Duane Morris, London, United Kingdom; Robert G. Smith, Mayer LLP, Houston, Texas USA; Thomas Warnock, Sr., Corteva Agriscience, Wilmington, Delaware USA

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Kids Activities Room

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Thank you to Kids Activities Room Chair Lauren Brinks.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

An Ounce of Prevention: Assessing and Controlling Product Liability Risk

Committee Sponsor: Product Liability

At some point, most clients can benefit from an assessment of where they are vulnerable to U.S. product liability risks. When litigation slows and legal spend shrinks, it creates opportunity to invest in proactive litigation risk assessment, checking your blind spots, and clearing them. Identifying vulnerabilities in product design, manufacturing, component sourcing, supply agreements, product literature, sales and marketing, and product warranties enables you to mitigate litigation risks through revisions and training. Effective and proactive management of litigation risks helps reduce the number of cases and claims you face and puts your company in the best position to achieve favorable outcomes when litigation comes.

Who has authority to sign sales contracts, and does that person know what to look for with respect to indemnification obligations? Does a customer service representative routinely accept purchase orders containing the customer's terms and conditions, and does the company know what those terms and conditions entail? When did the company last review and consider whether its product



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warnings were appropriate or should be updated? Who are the key personnel likely to impact your litigation risks? Have they been trained in product liability risks and mitigation?

Speakers: Sharon L. Caffrey, Duane Morris LLP, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania USA; Andrew Gendron, Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, Baltimore, Maryland USA; Kristen Harris, BlueOval SK, LLC, Arlington, Tennessee USA; Jessica Lam, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP, Toronto, Ontario Canada

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Book Review: *Shadows on the Rock* by Willa Cather

Shadows on the Rock (1931) by Willa Cather is a historical fiction novel set in 17th century Québec. It follows the life of Cécile Auclair, a young girl living with and taking care of her widowed father, the local apothecary. The city is an important character in the book, and the novel highlights daily colonial life exploring themes of tradition and resilience. This book is appropriate for IADC kids as well as adults, and we invite all to participate in the discussion.

The Book Review is complimentary, and sign-ups are not required.

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Where Do We Go From Here? The Future of DEIB in the Workplace

Committee Co-Sponsors: Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging, Employment Law

In *Students for Fair Admissions (SFFA)*, the Supreme Court struck down the race-conscious admissions programs at Harvard and University of North Carolina. While the legal applicability of the decision was largely confined to educational institutions and recipients of federal funds, the rationale behind the Court's decision—and its stringent application of the strict scrutiny standard in particular—led many observers to consider whether race-conscious programs well beyond college admissions could be in jeopardy going forward, particularly given the current composition of this Supreme Court. One question posed by many in the wake of the Court's decision was how SFFA might impact DEIB programs that have become ubiquitous in corporate America.

This program will revisit SFFA and subsequent rulings that may have a bearing on DEIB initiatives, examine the response by companies to the rulings and public backlash against DEIB efforts, and discuss what companies may do going forward as well as things outside counsel can do to advise their clients as they navigate this seemingly ever-changing terrain.

Speakers: Nicole M. Brunson, A.O. Smith Corporation, Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin USA; Joséeane Chrétien, McMillan LLP, Montreal, Québec Canada; Kellen Mathews, Adams and Reese LLP, New Orleans, Louisiana USA; Kenneth Sharperson, Armstrong Teasdale, New York, New York USA

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Flavour Trail at Île d'Orléans and Montmorency Falls Park (\$)

For a truly immersive experience in Québec's culture, you will be introduced to fresh, artisanal products just minutes from the heart of the city—Île d'Orléans. The *Route des Saveurs* offers the perfect opportunity to discover the island's rich history and vibrant culinary culture. You'll enjoy a tasting of homemade products with the tour. Then the tour will take you to Montmorency Falls Park. The awe-inspiring 83-meter (272 feet) waterfall is one and a half times the height of Niagara Falls. Enjoy breathtaking views from various viewpoints throughout the site. On the estate next to the falls, you'll find a historic mansion that once served as the Duke of Kent's summer residence. Today, it has beautiful dining rooms offering stunning views.

The registration fee is \$115.00 USD per person and includes transportation, a professional tour guide, cable car ride, tastings, bottled water, and access to the park and suspension bridge.



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1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Scenic E-Bike Tour to Montmorency Falls (\$)

This tour will take you on an unforgettable journey, offering you a completely new perspective of the city. Enjoy the stunning scenery along the way! On the way to Montmorency Falls, the tour allows you to stop at the Domaine des Maizerets Park. You will get a good glance of the St. Lawrence River, the Beauport Beach, and the Île D'Orléans. In this 4-hour tour, you will also have the time to take the cable car up to the top of the falls. There you will have the most breathtaking view of the river and its surroundings.

The registration fee is \$175.00 USD per person and includes a professional tour guide, bottled water and light snack, gondola ride and entrance fee, e-bike rental and helmet, and funicular ticket.

Important Details: Attendees should wear sport shoes and weather appropriate clothing. The ride is 12 km. each way.

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

The Empowerment Collaborative: Presentation on Imposter Syndrome

THE PRETENDER. Do you remember Jackson Brown's iconic song? Have you ever felt like the title character? Do you sit in meetings wondering how you got there and why you were even invited to participate? When an opportunity comes up, do you focus on your lack of qualifications, as opposed to zeroing in on the synergies? Chances are you have had these undermining internal conversations. "Imposter syndrome" is a particular brand of dysmorphia that can be personally and professionally debilitating. The Empowerment Collaborative workshop will help you spot imposter syndrome, in yourself and your valued colleagues, and give you tools and techniques to overcome it. You deserve your place at the table—we will show you how to claim your spot!

Speakers: Bernadette Catalana, Thompson, Coe, Cousins & Irons, LLP; Evelyn Davis, Hawkins Parnell & Young LLP

*The purpose of The Empowerment Collaborative (TEC) is to provide specialized support through the Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Committee to enhance the development of skills, professionalism, and camaraderie of IADC's women members in order to further facilitate their continued personal and professional success. TEC events are open to everyone.

The Empowerment Collaborative: Presentation on Imposter Syndrome is complimentary, and sign-ups are not required.

Thank you to The Empowerment Collaborative Chairs Bernadette Catalana and Evelyn Davis.

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

International Committee Business Meeting

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Member Mix and Mingle (\$)

Meet up with friends and fellow attendees in the Rose Room before going out for the evening at this cash bar reception.

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Circus Workshop (Ages 5-15) (\$)

Your kids can join the circus with this fun night at Circus School! IADC kids will be divided up into groups and take part in four different training sessions on circus favorites like juggling, acrobatics,



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object manipulation (hula hoop, etc.), and more. Activities are fun and inclusive for kids of every age and ability.

The registration fee is \$70.00 USD per child and includes transportation, Circus School activities, and teachers and supervisors for the activities.

Important Details: Attendees should wear comfortable shoes and clothing. Parents are welcome to come with their children to watch the activity if desired.

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Dine-Around (\$)

The IADC invites attendees to dine together at some of Québec City's best restaurants. A list of participating restaurants and sign-up sheets will be available onsite in the IADC Registration Desk area. We also plan to have family-friendly restaurant options as well.

Spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. All costs associated with dinner, as well as transportation to/from the restaurants, will be the attendee's responsibility.

6:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Past Presidents Reception and Dinner

Invited guests will receive an emailed invitation prior to the meeting with a request to RSVP.

10:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

After Dinner Gathering

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Wrap up your evening with a nightcap and camaraderie at this After Dinner Gathering held exclusively for IADC attendees in the Sam Lounge.

Beer, house wine, and non-alcoholic beverages are complimentary with your meeting name badge.

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6:00 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.

Morning Run

Get your blood pumping, get moving, and get to know fellow attendees at this IADC morning run.

The Morning Runs are complimentary, and sign-ups are not required.

Thank you to Morning Run Chair Mindy Brickman.

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Grab and Go CLE Breakfast

"Grab and go" breakfasts are available outside the morning meeting rooms, making it easy for attendees to have breakfast without missing a minute of the great CLE programming we have planned for you.

7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Meet and Greet Breakfast

Join fellow attendees for breakfast to network, discuss ideas, or plan your day. Breakfast is available to all registered attendees. Meeting name badge required for entry.

7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



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7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Morning Walk

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Thank you to Morning Walk Chairs Martha Reynolds and Cathy Watson.

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Bridging Compliance and Consequences: Navigating the Intersection of Product Regulation and Liability

Committee Sponsor: Product Liability

In today's interconnected global marketplace, the interplay between product regulation and product liability has become increasingly complex, presenting significant challenges and opportunities for both external and in-house counsel. This presentation will explore how evolving regulatory frameworks, such as safety standards and reporting obligations, directly impact liability exposure in diverse jurisdictions. From navigating the consequences of non-compliance to leveraging regulatory compliance as a defense in litigation, we will provide actionable insights into aligning legal strategies with corporate risk management. Attendees will gain a deeper understanding of how regulatory developments, such as emerging ESG requirements and stricter product safety laws, are reshaping liability landscapes and influencing counsel's approach to proactive risk mitigation.

The session will also examine the practical implications for counsel on the ground, highlighting key considerations for cross-border product recalls, multi-jurisdictional litigation, and maintaining effective communication between legal, compliance, and operational teams. Real-world examples will illustrate best practices for external counsel advising on regulatory investigations and for in-house counsel managing internal processes and external risks.

Speakers: Merton Howard, Hanson Bridgett LLP, San Francisco, California USA; Lindsay Lorimer, McMillan LLP, Toronto, Ontario Canada; Sarah K. Wolfe, Continental Automotive Systems, Inc., Auburn Hills, Michigan USA

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.

Digital Discovery and Cyber Forensics: Identifying and Accessing Data That Attorneys May Not Know Exists

Committee Sponsor: Cyber Security, Data Privacy and Technology

In today's digital world, data plays a ubiquitous role in our daily lives, often in ways that are not readily apparent or recognized. Cell phone forensics has become a routine part of incident investigations, though increasingly there are other less well-known or situation-specific sources of data that should be explored as well. Cell phones often interact with an array of other network systems and technologies to create a rich but distributed digital information footprint, such as applications that store GPS, Wi-Fi access information, and other location data, as well as near-field payment systems, QR code systems, and other aspects of our daily lives that involve blending Internet connected systems with real-world experiences. Accordingly, the task of digital discovery for litigation has become significantly more varied and challenging. Often there may exist a



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multitude of data relevant to an incident or allegations, collected for a variety of purposes, by a plurality of entities, from a multitude of sources, which may not be centralized or well-coordinated.

Speakers: Brent Arnold, Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP, Toronto, Ontario Canada; Therice Morris, Exponent, Bellevue, Washington USA

8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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8:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Life in the Point Cloud: The Use of 3D Scans in Defending Liability Claims

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Committee Co-Sponsors: Construction Law and Litigation, Trial Techniques and Tactics

3D data capture and the presentation of point cloud 3D imaging can be a powerful litigation tool in a wide variety of cases, from premises liability and motor vehicle accidents to analysis of construction defect claims. Preservation of physical evidence is widely understood among forensic experts, but evidence collected and preserved digitally by means of reality capture can be just as important.

Reality capture tools such as 3D laser scanners and drones allow experts to digitally preserve such evidence. When that data is prepared for presentation to a jury by an experienced trial attorney, it can have an incredible impact on the outcome of the case.

This presentation will consist of case studies of actual use of this technology in litigation, enhanced by a 3D scan of the conference room to create a real-time point cloud environment of the space we're all sitting in for an interactive element -- hopefully further enhanced by a drone view of the room as well (logistics and regulations permitting).

Speakers: Thomas M. Buckley, Goldberg Segalla, LLP, Raleigh, North Carolina USA; Diana Gerstberger, Arch Insurance, Alpharetta, Georgia USA; Melissa D. Matthews, Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, Dallas, Texas USA; John Swanson, S-E-A, Glen Burnie, Maryland USA

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Mistakes Were Made. Perspectives From Experienced Neutrals on Mediation and Arbitration Tactics: What Works and What Doesn't?

Committee Sponsor: Alternative Dispute Resolution

A panel of experienced arbitrators who once acted as advocates or in-house representatives with responsibility for managing significant arbitrable disputes will discuss their observations and reactions to presentations and tactics used by advocates in recent hearings. The panel will focus on effective and ineffective techniques and provide guidance on what current parties and advocates



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should know about an arbitration hearing. The program will provide practical advice on ways to present successful and productive strategies for hearings and arguments leading to final awards.

Speakers: Sherylle Francis, Universal Property and Casualty Ins. Co., Fort Lauderdale, FL USA; Christopher Kenney, Kenney & Sams, P.C., Boston, Massachusetts USA; Frank Lattal, Lattal ADR, Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania USA; Aldos Vance, Vance Dispute Resolution, PC, Vestavia, Alabama USA

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

PFAS Update – Forever Litigation Over the Forever Chemical

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Committee Co-Sponsors: Environmental and Energy Law; Toxic and Hazardous Substances Litigation

By this point, nearly everyone has heard of the large class of “forever chemicals” known as PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances). Over the past few years, we’ve seen an avalanche of new international and U.S. (federal and state) PFAS laws, regulations, and litigation addressing products, human exposure and health impacts, environmental permitting and environmental cleanup of soil, groundwater, surface water, drinking water, and air. With so many complex and fast-paced developments, it can be very difficult to see the forest through the trees when it comes to PFAS.

The panel will explore some of the primary PFAS litigation cases and trends in the U.S. and abroad, along with regulatory requirements in place and likely coming soon. The discussion will also offer practical tips, strategies, and best practices for industrial and manufacturing facilities, suppliers, real estate and corporate transactions, and others that are affected by PFAS risks. At the end of the session, attendees’ PFAS toolboxes will include a current understanding of litigation and regulatory developments and risks, and strategies to mitigate the already tremendous and growing risks presented by PFAS throughout the world.

Speakers: Joel D. Eagle, Thompson Hine, Cleveland, Ohio USA; Christine S. Egner, Continental Tire the Americas, Fort Mill, South Carolina USA; Craig T. Liljestrand, Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, Chicago, Illinois USA; Sarahann M. Rackl, Exponent, Austin, Texas USA

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

CLE Committee Meeting and Luncheon

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Historical Military Private Tour of the Citadelle and the Residence of the Governor General (\$)

The Citadelle is the largest British fortress ever built in North America. Designed in the star-shaped layout characteristic of Vauban's fortifications, the Citadelle's walls enclose nearly 300 years of military history, reflecting the French, British, and Canadian periods. Due to its strategic location atop Cape Diamond and its defensive design, the Citadelle is often referred to as the “Gibraltar of America.” The Royal 22nd Regiment's continuous presence at the Citadelle makes it the largest fortified complex in North America still occupied by troops. It remains an active military base and is also the official second residence of the Governor General of Canada. The Residence of the Governor General at the Citadelle is housed in a neoclassical building constructed in 1831.

The registration fee is \$80.00 USD per person and includes a professional tour guide, entrance fees, and bottled water.

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Open Sky Museum Walking Tour (\$)

This tour offers a unique opportunity to explore some of Québec's finest art galleries and artisans' workshops while admiring the city's stunning architecture. Marvel at the skill and creativity of local artists as they transform materials such as bronze, oil, watercolor, wood, and metal into masterpieces. You'll meet these talented artisans who open their doors to share their craft and showcase their work. The tour will take you through the lower area of the city, including the historic districts of Petit-Champlain and Place Royale where old homes and buildings have been converted into art galleries, bistros, boutiques, and shops. You'll visit the Beauchamp Art Gallery spread over three levels in a building that once served as the mansion of Charles Aubert de la Chesnaye, one of the most prominent businessmen of New France.

The registration fee is \$65.00 USD per person and includes a professional tour guide, coffee stop, funicular ticket, and bottled water.

Important Details: Attendees should wear comfortable shoes and weather appropriate clothing.

6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Fleur-de-lys Closing Party Reception

6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Senior Kids Dinner at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac (Ages 13-17) (\$)

Join other IADC Senior Kids at this evening event onsite at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac.

The registration fee is \$135.00 USD per child and includes chaperones and dinner. All Senior Kids may join their parents at the Closing Party at 9:00 p.m. for dancing.

(PLEASE NOTE: 12-year-olds have the option to register for the Junior Kids event or the Senior Kids event.)

6:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Junior Kids Night In at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac (Ages 5-12) (\$)

Join other IADC Junior Kids at this evening event onsite at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac.

The registration fee is \$135.00 USD per child and includes chaperones, all activities (i.e. arts and crafts, toys, a giant screen for movie watching), dinner with beverages, and more!

(PLEASE NOTE: 12-year-olds have the option to register for the Junior Kids event or the Senior Kids event.)

7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Fleur-de-lys Closing Party

The iris, also known as the fleur-de-lys, is a symbol of French royalty and prominent on the Québec flag. Join us in the beautiful and historical ballroom at the Fairmont Le Château Frontenac for an elegant evening of dinner followed by fun on the dance floor.

Adult guests (18+) are invited to attend the reception and dinner. Senior Kids (13 - 17 years old) may join their parents at 9:00 p.m. for dancing.

Cocktail attire or suits are requested.

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7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Joint Meet and Greet Breakfast

All attendees will gather for this final joint Meet and Greet Breakfast prior to the Closing Session. Breakfast is available to all registered attendees. Meeting name badge required for entry.

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Registration Desk

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9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Closing Session

Don't miss our Closing Session where the traditional gavel will be passed from President Donna Lamontagne to President-Elect Dominic Campodonico, and the IADC Nominating Committee will present its slate of 2025-2026 Board Members and Officers for member approval. Be the first to congratulate your new IADC Board Members!

The Closing Session is not available for CLE credit.

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

New Board Meeting