



Deep Pocket Jurisprudence: How to Spot It and Stop It

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Dear IADC Member:

Please join us for a complimentary Webinar (Web-based seminar produced through Adobe Connect) sponsored by the IADC Civil Justice Response Committee, Drug, Device and Biotechnology Committee, Product Liability Committee, and Toxic and Hazardous Substances Litigation Committee on Wednesday, September 27, 2017 for one (1) hour beginning at:

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HOW TO REGISTER:

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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 or by telephone at 312.368.1494.

THE PRESENTATION:

Deep Pocket Jurisprudence: How to Spot It and Stop It

Victor Schwartz developed the label "deep pocket jurisprudence" as a result of work on his torts casebook and the practice of law. When it takes place, appellate courts expand tort law and hold defendants subject to liability, not because they did *anything* wrong to cause a plaintiff's serious injury, but because the real culprit is judgment proof. It occurs with pharmaceuticals where some courts have held branded drug companies subject to liability for harms caused by generic drugs. It occurs where automobile companies are subject to liability when the real culprit is a drunk driver. There are many other examples, which Victor will share in the Webinar. The presentation will focus not only on how to spot, but also how to stop "deep pocket jurisprudence."

THE MODERATOR:

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Mark Behrens chairs the IADC's Civil Justice Response Committee and received the IADC's Joan Fullam Irick Award in July 2016. He is co-chair of Shook, Hardy & Bacon L.L.P.'s Public Policy Group based in Washington, DC. Mark has been involved in civil justice issues, liability law, and defense litigation for more than twenty years. A substantial part of Mark's practice is working to improve the civil litigation environment in legislatures; in the courts through amicus briefs on behalf of business, civil justice, and defense lawyer organizations, legal scholarship, and judicial education; and in the court of public opinion. In October 2015, he received the U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform's Individual Achievement Award.

THE PRESENTER:

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Victor Schwartz co-chairs Shook Hardy & Bacon L.L.P.'s Public Policy Group, which integrates litigation, government affairs, and public relations in defending clients in tort cases. He is a former law professor, law school dean, and Department of Commerce official.

The National Law Journal has named Mr. Schwartz one of the 100 most influential lawyers in the United States. Mr. Schwartz is co-author of the most widely used torts casebook in the United States, *Prosser, Wade and Schwartz's Torts* (13th ed. 2015). He is the author of the leading text *Comparative Negligence* (5th ed. 2010). A life member of the American Law Institute, Mr. Schwartz has been a principal advisor for each of the American Law Institute's (ALI) *Restatement (Third) of Torts* projects.

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