



## **Diesel Exposures: Science and Litigation Landscapes**

**Wednesday, March 22, 2017**

**12:00 – 1:00 p.m. CDT**

### **Dear IADC Member:**

Please join us for a complimentary Webinar (Web-based seminar produced through Adobe Connect) sponsored by the IADC Product Liability Committee, Toxic and Hazardous Substances Litigation Committee, and Transportation Committee on Wednesday, March 22, 2017 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:**

#### **Diesel Exposures: Science and Litigation Landscapes**

Mr. Lowery and Dr. Kaden will review the current state of science related to diesel fume and diesel particulate matter exposures. They will also provide insight into the current legal landscape for diesel claims, what industries and companies are at risk, and what companies and carriers can do now to prepare.

### **THE PRESENTERS:**

**James Lowery ([jlowery@gordonrees.com](mailto:jlowery@gordonrees.com))**

*Gordon & Rees, LLP, Dallas, TX*

James Lowery is a member of the Environmental/Toxic Tort, Commercial Litigation, Trucking & Transportation, and Professional Liability Defense practice groups at Gordon & Rees, LLP. He has achieved favorable verdicts in several high-risk cases on behalf of numerous clients in asbestos litigation. He has first chaired more than 40 major asbestos trials in multiple jurisdictions, including Texas, New York, Pennsylvania, Florida, Massachusetts, Delaware, Ohio, Maryland, Louisiana, Virginia, Illinois, and

California. Lowery obtained defense verdicts in asbestos trials in some of the most notorious pro-plaintiff jurisdictions, such as Madison County, Illinois; Beaumont and Orange, Texas; and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He has represented a wide variety of asbestos clients, including insulation manufacturers, “low-dose” product manufacturers, distributors, contractors, employers, and premises owners. He also has extensive experience in preparing, defending, and cross-examining experts at trial in asbestos matters, including leading challenges to expert testimony under *Daubert*, *Frye*, and *Havner*. Lowery has also taken a lead role in developing expert witnesses and defense strategies for several clients and has deposed hundreds of experts in the asbestos litigation.

**Debra Kaden, Ph.D. ([dkaden@ramboll.com](mailto:dkaden@ramboll.com))**

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Dr. Debra A. Kaden has more than 30 years of experience in toxicology and environmental health sciences, with emphasis in the area of air toxics and community exposures to air pollution. She is a Principal Consultant at Ramboll Environ, where she is a senior practitioner in the Health Science practice, and previously led the air toxics research program at the Health Effects Institute. She has authored more than 25 peer-reviewed publications in toxicology and environmental health sciences. Her expertise includes critical reviews of the toxicological effects on human health from exposure to air pollution, including diesel exhaust. She has evaluated the scientific literature relevant to pollution resulting from mobile sources, as well as industrial activities. Her experience in the field of exposure science issues allows an appreciation of spatial and temporal influences on potential community exposures. Dr. Kaden is an active member of the International Society for Exposure Science—where she served two terms as elected Board Secretary on the Executive Council as — as well as a member of the Society of Toxicology (SOT) and the Society for Risk Analysis (SRA), and Past President of the New England chapter of SRA. Dr. Kaden holds a Ph.D. in Toxicology from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and has post-doctoral research experience in cancer research from Harvard Medical School and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

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