

NCAASI's 2024 Annual Conference

March 27-29, 2024

**Holiday Inn Resort Lumina
on Wrightsville Beach,
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About NCASI

The North Carolina Association of Self-Insurers is proud to be the Employers' Voice in Workers' Compensation. The association is active before the North Carolina Industrial Commission and the General Assembly and maintains a lobbyist to protect the interests of employers. We keep our members updated through our quarterly publication, **NC Workers' Comp News**, and on our website at www.ncselfinsurers.com.

Many of North Carolina's largest employers belong to our association, along with claims professionals, rehab specialists, TPAs, surveillance professionals, and law firms. Membership is also open to employers with large deductibles.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, March 27

- 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Registration**
- 12:45 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
Stephanie Gay, president
NC Association of Self-Insurers
- 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **The Impact of Legislative Fix on Sturdivant**
Larry Baker, *Wilson Jones Carter & Baxley*
Joy Brewer, *Brewer Defense Group*
Andrew Heath, *Nelson Mullins*
Ginny Lanier, *Brewer Defense Group*
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Tips for Effective Mediation**
Julia Dixon, *New Day Resolution Services*
Jennifer Baril, *Holder Padgett Littlejohn + Prickett*
Jennifer Blackman, *The Law Office of Jennifer Jerzak Blackman, PLLC*
Linda McCampbell, *Louisiana-Pacific Corporation*
Roy Pettigrew, *Cranfill Sumner LLP*
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Full Commission Mock Hearing**
Myra Griffin, Vice-Chair, *NCIC*
James Gillen, Commissioner, *NCIC*
Wanda Blanche Taylor, Commissioner, *NCIC*
Will Crone, *Anders Newton*
J. Timothy Wilson, *Mewborn & DeSelms*
- 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. **Case Law Update**
Jennifer Blackman, *The Law Office of Jennifer Jerzak Blackman, PLLC*
Mallory Lidaka, *Lewis & Roberts*
Lindsay Underwood, *Teague Campbell*
- 5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. **Welcoming Reception**

Thursday, March 28

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. **Group Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Pain Management in Workers' Comp: Implants v. Alternatives**
Jeremy Hoff, DO, *EmergeOrtho*
- 9:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **AI Reduces Costs, Accelerates Return to Work**
Christopher Malter, CEO, *Avalon.AI*
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. **A.W.P. (Ain't What's Paid)**
Penny Gough, president *MC Innovations, LLC*
Brian Sheskey, chief sales officer, *Alius Health*

Friday, March 29

- 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. **Group Breakfast**
- 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Active Shooter Training**
Eric Waidelich, vice president, operations & business development,
Rizikon
- 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **De-escalation Skills (Verbal)**
Eric Waidelich, vice president, operations & business development,
Rizikon
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. **Refreshment Break**
- 11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m. **Employers' Panel Discussion:
Hiring Practices, Tension between ADA, FLMA & WC, Safety Programs,
Return to Work Programs**
Jennifer Jones, senior deputy attorney, *Wake County Government*
Stephen Kelly, manager EHS, *Hyster-Yale Group*
Sandra McDaniel, associate director, SE region, *Atrium Health*
Moderator: Tracey Jones, *Teague Campbell*

About the Speakers

Larry Baker, a partner at Willson Jones and a former president of the NC Association of Defense Attorneys, earned his law degree from Wake Forest University School of Law.

Jennifer Baril is a graduate of Towson University and Florida Coastal School of Law.

Jennifer Blackman, owner/founder of her law office, is a graduate of Wake Forest University School of Law.

Joy Brewer, founder of Brewer Defense Group, is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill and Campbell University School of Law.

Will Crone is a graduate of North Carolina State University and Campbell University School of Law.

Julia Ellen Dixon received her undergraduate degree from Meredith College, a master's in public administration from NC State University, and her law degree from the University of North Carolina School of Law.

Stephanie Gay, president, Aegis Administrative Services in Raleigh, graduated from Meredith College. Early in her career, she was a financial analyst at Dun & Bradstreet.

Commissioner Jim Gillen is a graduate of North Carolina State University and Campbell University School of Law.

Penny Gough is president/owner at MC Innovations.

Commissioner Myra Griffin, vice-chair, NC Industrial Commission, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and North Carolina Central University School of Law.

Andrew Heath, partner at Nelson Mullins, is a graduate of Indiana University School of Law. A former chairman of the NC Industrial Commission, he also served as state budget director.

Dr. Jeremy Hoff is a graduate of Rutgers University and the Western University of Health Sciences at the College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific in California.

Jennifer Jones is a graduate of Peace College and Campbell University School of Law.

Tracey Jones, partner Teague Campbell, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Wake Forest University School of Law.

Stephen Kelly, MS, CSP, is a graduate of the University of Iowa.

Ginny Lanier received her undergraduate degree from Appalachian State University and law degree from Campbell University School of Law.

Mallory Lidaka, partner at Lewis & Roberts, received her undergraduate degree, cum laude, from the University at Buffalo and her law degree, cum laude, from Campbell University School of Law.

Christopher Malter is CEO at Avalon.Ai.

Linda McCampbell is a litigation senior paralegal III at Louisiana-Pacific Corp based in Nashville, Tennessee.

Sandra McDaniel earned a BA in business administration with a minor in organizational leadership from Allen University.

Roy Pettigrew, partner at Cranfill Sumner, is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and Wake Forest University School of Law.

Brian Sheskey is co-founder of Alius Health and chief sales officer.

Commissioner Wanda Blanche Taylor is a graduate of Duke University and UNC's law school. Before her appointment to the Commission, she was director of litigation/counsel at Key Risk Insurance.

Lindsay Underwood, partner at Teague Campbell, is a graduate of Cleveland State University and Wake Forest University School of Law.

Eric Waidelich is a graduate of Siena Heights University and holds more than 30 industry related certifications, including Certified Safety Manager, Certified Healthcare Safety Professional.

Tim Wilson is a graduate of North Carolina State University and Campbell University School of Law.

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