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PRIMARY AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Workers Compensation Defense (TWCA, LHWCA, DBA and nonsubscriber claims)
Bad Faith Litigation
Maritime Litigation
Transportation
Civil Litigation
Subrogation

EDUCATION

University of Texas School of Law, Doctor of Jurisprudence, 1993
University of Texas at Austin, Bachelor of Arts, 1990

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Brown Sims, P.C., Shareholder, 2001 to present.
Brown Sims, P.C., Associate, 1994 to 2001

ADMISSIONS

State Bar of Texas; United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit; United States District Court, Northern, Eastern and Southern Districts of Texas.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS (PAST AND PRESENT)

American Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Houston Bar Association; The College of the State Bar of Texas; Women's International Shipping and Trading Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; International Bar Association; International Refrigerated Transportation Association, Inc., Board of Directors; Toastmasters International.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Speaker at numerous seminars presented by Atlantic Mutual Companies; Liberty Mutual Group; ACE USA/ESIS, Inc., GAB Robins; Unocal Corporation; International Refrigerated Transportation Association, Inc.; Houston Claims Association; Lorman Education Services; National Council on Compensation Insurance, Inc.; National Association of Marine Surveyors, Inc.; and the Produce Marketing Association.

PRESENTATIONS and PUBLICATIONS continued

Forum Selection and Arbitration Clauses in Seamen's Injury Claims, 17th Annual Admiralty and Maritime Law Conference, October 24, 2008. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by the University of Texas School of Law.

Determining Average Weekly Wages, A Conference on the Defense Base Act, October 23, 2008. Washington, D.C. Sponsored by Loyola Law School and The United States Department of Labor, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

Handling Claims Under the Defense Base Act: Unique Issues in Determining Average Weekly Wage, Annual Longshore Conference, March, 2008. New Orleans, Louisiana. Sponsored by Loyola University.

Workers' Compensation Update in Texas, August 15, 2007, Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Consumer Protection in Workers' Compensation Administration, April 5, 2007, Tyler, Texas. Sponsored by the East Texas Area Claims Association.

Shaping Your Legal Career While Maintaining Integrity: A Shareholder's View of the Common Pitfalls Along the Path to Success, "Knowledge is Power: Linking the Practice of Law with Social and Political Issues," February, 2007, The Woodlands, Texas. Sponsored by the Texas Women Lawyers Association.

An Overview of the Defense Base Act and the War Hazards Compensation Act, "History of the DBA: Purpose, Scope and Coverage," Government Contractor International Risk Management Summit, September, 2006. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and AIG WorldSource.

Current Issues in Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act Extension Claims, 15th Annual Admiralty and Maritime Law Conference, September, 2006. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by the University of Texas School of Law.

Overview of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act Claim - 2006, Introduction to Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, August, 2006. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Workers' Comp Update, 2006, Workers' Compensation Seminar, July, 2006. Houston, Texas. Developed by Council on Education in Management.

Workers' Compensation Cost-Cutting Strategies and Implementing a Successful and Legally Compliant Return-to-Work Program, Reducing Workers' Compensation Claims and Costs in Your Company, June, 2006. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by National Business Institute.

The Workers' Comp System: Defining the Elements of a Compensable Injury and Exceptions to Workers' Comp Coverage and How to Calculate Workers' Comp Benefits and Assess Your Exposure on Workers' Comp Claims, Complete Survival Guide to Texas Workers' Comp Seminar, June, 2006. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Council on Education in Management.

Legal Issues Unique to Defense Base Act Claims: Determining Average Weekly Wages for Injured Workers, Annual Longshore Conference, April, 2006. New Orleans, Louisiana. Sponsored by Loyola University.

Overview of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act Claim, Introduction to Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, August, 2005. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Mock Arbitration - Damaged Product Liability Trial, International Association of Refrigerated Warehouses, 2005 National Convention, May, 2005. Henderson, Nevada..

Employer's Rights and Responsibilities under the Texas Workers' Compensation Act and Texas Workers' Compensation Act Benefits: The Effect of Claimant's Ability to Return to Restricted Duty Work, The Workers' Compensation Continuum in Texas Seminar, January, 2005. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Defining the Mental Trauma Injury, Treatment of Mental Trauma Claims under the Texas Workers' Compensation Act and Treatment of Mental Trauma Claims under the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, Advanced Topics In Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, December, 2004. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Overview of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act Claim, Introduction to Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, August, 2004. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Mock Trial, Attorney and Organizer, National Association of Marine Surveyors, Inc. 42nd Annual Conference East, April 20, 2004, New York City, New York.

The Ultimate Business Solution: Insurance, Yes, Insurance, Workshop, Panel Member, International Trade Conference, Fresh Summit International Convention & Exposition, October, 2003. Orlando, Florida. Sponsored by the Produce Marketing Association.

Update on Texas Workers' Compensation Act Claims, September, 2003. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by the Houston Claims Association.

Overview of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act Claim, Introduction to Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, August, 2003. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Medicare: Considerations in Workers' Compensation Settlements, Advanced Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, November, 2002. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Obtaining Relief From the Special Fund Pursuant to 33 U.S.C. §908(f) for LHWCA Claims, Advanced Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, November, 2002. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

Texas Workers' Compensation Act Benefits: The Effect of a Claimant's Ability to Return to Restricted Duty Work, Advanced Workers' Compensation in Texas Seminar, November, 2002. Houston, Texas. Sponsored by Lorman Education Services.

The Transportation and Sale of Refrigerated Cargo-Protecting Your Interests, Critical Cargoes, an International Conference on Perishable Commodities, October, 2002. New Orleans, Louisiana. Sponsored by the International Refrigerated Transportation Association, Inc.

How to Establish the Marine Surveyor as an "Expert Witness", Spring 2002 Marine Seminar, April, 2002. Newark, New Jersey. Sponsored by National Association of Marine Surveyors, Inc.

Mock Arbitration, Organizer and Arbitrator, International Refrigerated Transportation Association 1999 Annual Convention, June, 1999. Seattle, Washington. Sponsored by the Journal of Commerce,

Transportation Liabilities Issues in the United States, International Refrigerated Transportation Association 1998 Annual Convention, May, 1998. Rotterdam, The Netherlands. Sponsored by the Journal of Commerce.

Penalties and Recoveries for Fraud and Misrepresentation in Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act Claims, Workers Compensation Fraud, Challenges of the Present Strategies for the Future, October, 1997. Las Vegas, Nevada. Sponsored by the National Council on Compensation Insurance, Inc., the Journal of Commerce and Safe Workplace Magazine.

The Package Limitation in the United States and Europe, International Refrigerated Transportation Association Convention and Exhibition, June, 1997. Wilmington, Delaware. Sponsored by International Refrigerated Transportation Association.

Moot Court, Moderator and Organizer, International Refrigerated Transportation Association Convention and Exhibition, June, 1997. Wilmington, Delaware. Sponsored by the Journal of Commerce.

Claims and Claims Management, International Refrigerated Transportation Association Annual Conference, June, 1996. Seattle, Washington. Sponsored by the Journal of Commerce.

RECOGNITION/HONORS

Board Certified in Workers' Compensation Law, Texas Board of Legal Specialization