



**Please join us for our special 2010  
Risk Management Seminar**

**COMMERCIAL DRIVING SAFETY & DOT COMPLIANCE  
AND LEGAL LIABILITY FORUM**

***If you are hiring and training drivers, dealing with accidents, using independent contractors, carry hazardous materials or simply managing the daily operations of your business, you need to be aware of the latest Regulations, Labor Laws and Legal Liability Issues affecting your Commercial Driving and DOT compliance.***

**Thursday, February 25, 2010  
Time: 8 AM till 11 AM**

**Where: Beaver Creek Country Club  
9535 Mapleville Road, Hagerstown, MD 21740'  
Complimentary breakfast refreshments served**

**Presentation #1 (60 Minutes): DOT Compliance and Safety**

Presented by: John Cheruka, President - Commercial Vehicle Safety & Accident Specialists  
(30 Years Experience as DOT and OSHA Consulting, Hazardous Materials Expert. 22 years serving the transportation industry as an expert witness in accident litigation, 31 years experience in customized Driver Training)

- Who must comply?
- Where can I apply for a DOT Number?
- What are the applicable regulations?
- Penalties for Non-Compliance
- At-scene Accident Handling Basics and Accident Photography
- Driver Training in a Modern World
- Cell Phones and Driving Distractions
- Significance of Roadside Inspections
- Hiring, Screening and Recruiting
- Drug & Alcohol Testing
- FMCSA (US DOT) Compliance Review
- Navigating the Hazardous Materials Compliance Maze

**Presentation #2 (60 Minutes): Legal Exposure Issues Affecting Employers, Including Those Who Provide or Use Transportation Services**

Presented by: Robert T. Franklin, Esq., Partner - Franklin & Prokopik  
(Corporate and Defense Trial Attorney: Transportation Attorney; General Counsel, Maryland Motor Truck Association; Past Chair, ABA Commercial Transportation Litigation Committee and DRI Trucking Law Committee; Active Member of other transportation professional associations, including Trucking Industry Defense Association (TIDA) and Transportation Lawyers Association (TLA))

- **Presentation #2 (60 Minutes)**
- Exposure for negligently hiring or retaining drivers and other employees or contractors
- Safety policies and practices that help, and those that can hurt
- Effective accident response, including training drivers on what to do at the scene
- Effectively capturing and preserving evidence
- The impact of post-accident safety investigations and findings (e.g. “preventability”)
- How to spot, and address, problem provisions in contracts
- Effectively working with independent contractors to minimize exposure
- Tips to avoid unwarranted liability exposure
- Liability and litigation counter-measures
- New theories of liability against businesses, including motor carriers, brokers, and shippers

**DON'T MISS THIS FREE VALUABLE, LEARNING SEMINAR. LEARN ABOUT YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AS A BUSINESS OWNER WHO HAS DRIVING EXPOSURES EVERYDAY.**

**Question & Answer Panel (30 Minutes)**

Our presenters will be participating in a Q&A session to respond directly to the specific inquiries of the audience members.

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