

## Hermes Netburn Attorney, John Felice, Presents at Fidelity Law Association's Annual Conference

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John R. Felice

## October 13, 2017

(Boston, MA – October 30, 2017) John R. Felice, a Shareholder at Hermes, Netburn, O'Connor & Spearing, P.C., will present a program for The Fidelity Law Association's 2017 Annual Conference. The title of the program is: "Communications with Claimants and Witnesses: A Guide for Claim Professionals and Retained Counsel." The conference takes place on November 8<sup>th</sup> at the Sheraton Boston Hotel.

John's program will discuss key information regarding the claims investigation process. This presentation addresses some of the ethical issues that a claims professional, and his or her retained counsel, might face in communicating with groups of individuals during the claim process and how to address any issues that may arise. The presenters will first review the most pertinent restrictions on the retained attorney's communications with various individuals, and then address what, if any, similar restrictions apply to the claims professional's communications. The presentation will also provide the claims professional and retained counsel with a framework of the ethical rules that pertain to their communications with each category of persons and to identify ethical considerations that should be taken into account by the claims professional as he or she seeks to obtain the information necessary to resolve a claim.

About The Fidelity Law Association and the Annual Conference: The Fidelity Law Association (FLA) is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to facilitating prompt and fair handling of fidelity claims. The annual conference is open to anyone with an interest to fidelity insurance. This year's conference co-chairs are Scott Spearing, Shareholder at Hermes, Netburn, O'Connor & Spearing, P.C.; and Lynda Riesgo Jensen, Senior Claim Counsel, Management Liability First Party Claim for Travelers Insurance. They have prepared an excellent program that will benefit all attendees, regardless of level of experience.

John R. Felice: has substantial experience representing manufacturers and distributors of asbestos-containing products in toxic tort cases pending in multiple jurisdictions. His wideranging experience also includes representing insurers, insurance claim administrators, and other stakeholders in connection with complex insurance coverage matters involving toxic tort, asbestos, fidelity, bad faith, products liability, general liability, professional liability, directors and officers liability, sexual abuse and other claims. John is a member of the Board of Directors for the Massachusetts Defense Lawyers Association and currently serves as Vice



President of the Massachusetts Chapter of CLM.