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# 1st Annual Gulf Coast Construction Industry Conference

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**THE ADMIRAL HOTEL**  
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**July 13, 2022**

This is a program for contractors, design professionals, engineers, other construction industry professionals, and their legal counsel. We have assembled a top-flight group of presenters that includes attorneys and other experts from all areas of the construction industry. They will address construction risk management and insurance, weather impacts on construction projects, construction defects, best practices for avoiding claims and for dealing with claims when they do arise, construction mediation and arbitration, employee relations, OSHA hot topics, and legislation affecting the construction industry.

## AGENDA

- 7:30 – 8:30**                    **Continental Breakfast and Networking Opportunity**
- Moderator**                    Roger Guilian, Esq  
Volkert, Inc. (Mobile)
- 8:30 – 9:00**                    **Best Practices for Construction Risk Management: What Contractors and Their Legal Counsel Need to Know About Loss Control, Insurance, Managing Claims, and Alternative Risk Solutions**
- W. Charles McVea, Esq  
BXS Insurance (Mobile)
- 9:00 – 9:45**                    **Construction Defects: Trends and Possible Quality Control Solutions**
- Timothy R. Brashear, PE  
Rimkus Consulting Group (Pittsburgh, PA)
- 9:45 – 10:00**                    **BREAK**
- 10:00 – 10:30**                    **Alabama’s Anti-Indemnity Statute: A New Paradigm for Contracting with Design Professionals. Will Contractors Follow Suit?**
- C. William Daniels Jr, Esq  
Burr & Forman (Mobile)
- Roger Guilian, Esq  
Volkert, Inc. (Mobile)
- 10:30 – 11:00**                    **Weather Impacts on Construction Projects: Using Forensic Analysis in Making and Defending Claims**
- Timothy A. Coleman, PhD  
Coleman Knupp & Dice (Birmingham)

- 11:00 – 11:30**      **Employment Law and Practices for Construction Companies: Ten Things Managers Say That Invite Workplace Problems**
- Barbara Wells, Esq  
Capell & Howard (Montgomery)
- 11:30 – Noon**      **OSHA Hot Topics: Current Enforcement Priorities, Citation Trends, and Risk Minimization**
- Don D. Elswick, CIH, CSP, CHMM, CIT  
University of Alabama SafeState (Tuscaloosa)
- Noon – 1:00**      **LUNCH ON YOUR OWN**
- 1:00 – 1:45**      **Workers' Compensation Issues Facing Construction Companies and Their Attorneys: Labor Shortages, Wage Inflation, Medical Marijuana, Rising Interest Rates, and Continuing COVID-19 Impacts**
- William E. Pipkin Jr, Esq  
Austill Lewis Pipkin & Maddox (Mobile)
- Jeff Rodgers  
AGC Alabama Construction Industry Services (Birmingham)
- 1:45 - 2:15**      **Case Study: Forensic Analysis of Construction Defect and Deterioration Claims at a Multi-Story Residential Structure**
- Hal K. Cain, PE  
Cain & Associates (Mobile)
- 2:15 – 2:30**      **BREAK**
- 2:30 – 3:15**      **Solving Problems and Preventing Headaches on Construction Projects Through Effective Communication Between Designer and Constructor**

Nathan Dunn  
Fulcrum Construction Group (Daphne)

Mac Walcott  
Walcott Adams Verneulle Architects (Fairhope)

**3:15 – 3:45            The Increasing Financial Impact of Hurricanes on Gulf Coast  
Infrastructure Projects: Who Owns the Risk and Who Pays  
for the Damage?**

Ben D. Nolan III, PE, PSP  
Berkeley Research Group (Pensacola)

**3:45 – 4:30            How to Win - Or Lose - Your Construction Mediation or  
Arbitration**

H. Bruce Shreves, Esq  
Simon Peragine Smith & Redfearn (New Orleans)

**4:30                    Adjourn**

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### **VENUE**

**The Admiral Hotel** (251) 432 - 8000 is located at 251 Government Street in downtown Mobile, Alabama.

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