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## A NYCOSH CONFERENCE

# **NUTS & BOLTS** of Navigating New York State's Workers' Compensation System

Learn how to file a claim for  
compensation and follow up

Learn about recent changes in the law

**Saturday, November 12, 2011**

**8:30 AM to 3 PM**

**District Council 37, AFSCME**

**125 Barclay Street**

**New York, New York**

For injured workers, filing a claim for workers' compensation is too often a frustrating and painful experience. From complex rules and procedures to tight-fisted insurers and employers, the workers' compensation system in New York is full of obstacles and pitfalls. As a result, it is important for injured workers and their representatives to understand how the system works and how to protect their rights.

This conference will provide the information injured workers need to ensure that they receive full and just compensation. Additionally, the conference will focus on recent legislative and administrative changes and how they affect injured and disabled workers.

The conference is designed for rank and file workers, union representatives, safety and health professionals, health care providers and anyone who has an interest in workers' compensation.

## Conference Program

- 8:30 AM Registration, Coffee and Bagels
- 9:00 **Welcome and Introduction**  
**Bill Henning**, Chairperson  
NYCOSH Board of Directors  
Vice-President, Local 1180  
Communications Workers of America
- Lee Clarke**, Moderator and Host  
Chairperson, NYCOSH Workers' Compensation Committee  
Safety and Health Director,  
District Council 37, AFSCME
- 9:15 **ABC's of Workers' Compensation**  
**Robert Grey**, Esq., Grey and Grey  
**Matt Funk**, Esq., Pasternack, Tilker, Ziegler, Walsh, Stanton & Romano
- 9:45 **Ed Ruff**, Advocate for Injured Workers  
New York State Workers' Compensation Board
- 10:00 **The Honorable Rory Lancman**, Chair,  
New York State Assembly Sub-Committee on  
Workplace Safety  
Introduced by **Richard Winsten**, Esq., Meyer  
Suozzi English and Klein
- 10:20 Coffee
- 10:30 **Workshops**  
The workshops will provide information about how to file a claim, what to do if the claim is contested and how to avoid pitfalls which could delay medical and/or wage replacement benefits. The sessions will be conducted as small group activities in which participants will walk a scenario in which a worker is injured and the steps that must be taken to insure that the claim is established and the worker receives the benefits to which they are entitled.

- A. **Neil Abramson**, Esq., Rubin, Abramson  
**Diane Stein**, Local 237, International  
Brotherhood of Teamsters
- B. **Kenneth Larkin**, Fusco, Brandenstein and Rada  
**Max Neuberger**, NYCOSH
- C. **Matt Funk**, Esq., Pasternack Tilker Ziegler Walsh  
Stanton & Romano  
**Junior Linton**, United Federation of Teachers, AFT
- D. **Brian O'Keefe**, Esq., Grey and Grey  
**Earl Phillips**, Secretary Treasurer, Local 100,  
Transport Workers Union
- E. **Vincent Rossillo**, Esq., Fine Olin & Anderman  
**John Gentile**, Local 1103, Communications  
Workers of America
- F. **Alexander Rosado**, Esq., Rosado, Chechnover &  
Bayrasli  
**Guille Mejia**, District Council 37, AFSCME
- G. **Peter Tipograph**, Esq., Sher Herman Bellone  
Tipograph  
**Thomas Lowe**, New York State Nurses  
Association
- 12:00 – 1 Lunch
- 1 PM **Mock Hearing**  
**John Merlino**, Esq., Dinkes & Schwitzer  
**Barbara Levine**, of Counsel, Sherman,  
Federman, Sambur & Levine  
**James McCarthy**, of Counsel to Rosado,  
Chechanover & Bayrasli
- 2:30 **Wrap up. Next Steps**  
**Art Wilcox**, consultant, New York State AFL-CIO
- 2:50 **Send Off**  
**Lee Clarke**, Chair,  
NYCOSH Workers' Compensation Committee

## Conference Registration

### Nuts and Bolts of Navigating New York State's Workers' Compensation System

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