Transportation Lawyers Association (TLA) 2023 Annual Conference

April 29, 2023

The 2023 TLA Annual Conference will give you a taste of Comic-Con within the confines of Paradise Point. In addition to the heroic CLE program and out of this world networking opportunities that TLA is known for, you will have multiple opportunities to enjoy all that San Diego has to offer. You wont want to miss this meeting and take advantage of the opportunities to expand your knowledge, visit with current friends and colleagues and build new relationships. The program committee of Chris Cotter, Beata Shapiro, Joelle Nelson, Justin Olsen, Peter Quinter, Bridgette Blitch, Cameron Roberts, Hillary Arrow Booth, Tom Martin, Matt Koch, Jason Orleans, Richard Grant, Paul Mello, Chris Merrick, Clark Monroe, Greg Reed, Melissa Thompson Richardson, Judson Price, Virginia Price, Bradley Bertkau, Alex Karcher, and Paul Custer have worked very hard to put together an out of this world CLE program. The Program Committee is led by program co-chairs, Kristen Johnson and Stevan Baxter.

We invite you to attend the educational programs listed below where our attorneys will be featured panelists.

COURSE TITLE & DESCRIPTION

Stranger Things: How to be an Eleven and defeat the Demogorgons in Vecnas Upside Down Derivative Trucking Liability Claim

Vecna will use the Mind Flayer to his advantage to outsmart Eleven and her team to twist a simple collision into a Company trial by fire. This presentation by some of the most experienced defense attorneys in TLA will delve into combating efforts by plaintiffs counsel to implement Vecnas playbook by interjecting claims in trucking litigation to drive up the value of their cases. Motor carriers and their counsel will learn innovative strategies to prevent negligent entrustment, hiring, retention, or training claims from being a detonator for punitive damages in the wake of a trucking accident. The panel will also discuss the elements of each claim, defenses, discovery strategies, apportionment of fault issues, the impact of a motor carriers admission of vicarious liability, and other best practices. Upon completion you will have the power to close Vecnas gate between worlds for good.

date & time

Saturday, April 29 | 10:45 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

panelists

Moderator:

- **Chris Merrick**, Shareholder, Flaster Greenberg, PC, Philadelphia, PA, United States

Panelists:

- **Clark Monroe**, Partner, Dunbar Monroe, PLLC, Ridgeland, MS, United States
- **Patrick Foppe**, Shareholder, Lashly & Baer, PC, St. Louis, MO, United States
- **Shannon King**, Associate, Lashly & Baer, PC, St. Louis, MO, United States

location

Paradise Point Resort & Spa

1404 Vacation Rd

San Diego, CA 92109

registration

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ATTORNEYS MENTIONED

Christopher Merrick