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## The State of Workers' Compensation in Illinois

With Speakers  
**Murray Pinkston & Patrick Duffy**  
of  
**Stone & Johnson Chartered**

*When:* Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup> 2018

*Time:* 12:00 Noon for Luncheon (please be prompt)  
Presentation immediately following lunch

*Where:* **J.C. Restoration, Inc.**



3200 Squibb Ave.  
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008  
Phone: (800) 956-8844

*Cost:* \$25 Members & Guests

**RSVP: Please R.S.V.P. by noon, Monday,  
January 7<sup>th</sup> via Email to  
[scsechicago@gmail.com](mailto:scsechicago@gmail.com)**

**Important Note:** Please only RSVP to ONE Society Chapter, even if you are a member of multiple Societies to avoid being counted (and charged) twice for this event!

## About the Speakers

### Patrick Duffy

Pat Duffy has 29 years' experience representing clients in Illinois and Indiana. His practice focuses on workers compensation defense but he has tried several cases to verdict before a jury. He graduated

## Meeting Calendar *(Check Website for updates)*

**January 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**Annual Workers' Compensation Update**  
**Location:** JC Restoration  
3200 Squibb Avenue  
Rolling Meadows, IL

February 8<sup>th</sup>  
Exoskeleton  
Location: TBD

March 8<sup>th</sup>  
Fall Protection  
Location: DSP Insurance, Schaumburg, IL

April 5<sup>th</sup>  
Title: Property Fire Reconstruction 3-D Technology  
Location: Villaggio Ristorante

May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Industrial Hygiene & Emerging Hazards  
Location: TBD

June 6<sup>th</sup>  
Officer Induction  
Location: TBD



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from Hamline University School of Law in 1983. He is licensed to practice law in Illinois and Indiana. Along with his **Stone & Johnson** colleague, Murray Pinkston, Pat speaks annually to the Society of Casualty Safety Engineers on the status of Illinois workers compensation laws and Workers Compensation Commission procedures. He also presents in-house seminars for clients multiple times per year.

### **J. Murray Pinkston**

Born and raised in Vicksburg, Mississippi, Mr. Pinkston was educated at Tulane University and the University of Mississippi. He was admitted to the Illinois bar when he began his legal career in Chicago in 1993, but not before also being admitted to practice in Louisiana and Mississippi. Since his arrival in Chicago, he has specialized in the litigation of civil tort claims and workers' compensation claims. His general civil litigation experience is broad and includes construction-related litigation matters, first and third-party insurance defense, and insurance coverage cases.

Because of Mr. Pinkston's significant trial experience in both civil tort and workers' compensation matters, he possesses the specialized skill set necessary for the efficient analysis and litigation of Employers' Liability, or so-called 1(b), claims. EL claims involve the defense of employers in personal injury damage claims brought by that employer's own employee, and are typically included in multi-party construction litigation cases. EL claims see a great deal of overlap between the civil and workers' compensation systems, so knowledge and experience in both systems is essential for an elite EL defense. Mr. Pinkston has a long track record of successful litigation for these claims, and has mastered global settlement strategies and tactics involving these multiple claims situations. Mr. Pinkston has regularly lectured and delivered seminars on Illinois EL claims, as well as upon workers' compensation litigation and trends.