

Education Seminar

Tuesday, October 17th, 2017
12:00 pm - 4:30 pm
State Bar of Georgia
104 Marietta Street, Atlanta, GA 30303
Lunch \* CLE Credits \* Door Prizes

Presentation Topics:
Worker's Compensation
Justin L. Wolfe, Esq., Long & Holder LLP

Product Liability
Jennifer Brinkman Flannery, Esq., Jones Day

## Panel Discussion on:

Hot Topics and Trends for the Paralegal Profession.

What Trending Skills Should Paralegals Possess? ♦ What Employer's Want?

The Future of the Paralegal Profession.

Todd M. Speir, King & Spalding ♦ Keisha D. Hudson, JD, Atlanta Technical College Dorina Dupuis, Paramount Staffing

GAPpy Hour at the Glenn Hotel following Seminar 4:30 - 6:30 pm 110 Marietta Street, Atlanta, GA 30303

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## MEET THE SPEAKERS



**Justin L. Wolfe** is an attorney at the law firm of Long & Holder, LLP in Atlanta, Georgia. He is a seasoned litigator who has represented injured individuals across the Georgia. Justin has tried cases before the State Board of Workers' Compensation and Georgia State Courts. During his career, he has recovered millions of dollars for his clients. Justin is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and Atlanta's John Marshall Law School. He is a graduate of the Georgia Bar YLD Leadership Academy and currently serves as the Co-Chair of the organization's Community Service Projects Committee. In his spare time he enjoys running on Atlanta's Beltline Trail and traveling.



Jennifer B. Flannery practices principally in the area of product liability litigation and has appeared in state and federal courts throughout the United States. She prepares and tries cases involving complex legal issues such as risk contribution, market share, and other collective liability theories; public nuisance; medical monitoring; duty to warn; conspiracy; and liability for trade association activities. Jennifer has extensive experience in case coordination across multiple jurisdictions and working with joint defense groups. Jennifer has served as trial counsel in high-profile cases, including a lead pigments and paints case involving Wisconsin's risk contribution collective theory of liability, in which a unanimous jury returned a complete defense verdict. She also has served as trial counsel for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. Jennifer brings to her practice a unique understanding of client needs having recently worked as in-house counsel. During this time, she managed an active nationwide asbestos docket as well as a diverse docket of other cases, including product liability, employment, commercial, and intellectual property

matters, and acted as trial counsel. She also participated in a variety of continuous improvement and cost control initiatives and regularly worked with and reported to top company executives. Jennifer serves on the board of directors of The Cool Girls, Inc., an Atlanta-based nonprofit organization dedicated to the self-empowerment of at-risk girls to promote life-long success. She also is actively involved in the Firm's pro bono activities in Laredo, Texas, which provide comprehensive legal services to immigrant women.



**Todd M. Speir** is a Manager of Paralegal and Legal Support Services with King & Spalding. In this capacity, he manages over 65 paralegals and project assistants in the firm's Atlanta and Charlotte offices. Additionally, he oversees 54 legal practice assistants in Atlanta. Prior to becoming paralegal manager in 2014, Mr. Speir had over 20 years of experience as a trial litigation paralegal and participated in trials in state and federal courts in Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Colorado.

He graduated from the University of Georgia in 1993 and earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. Additionally, he obtained a Paralegal Certificate from The National Center for Paralegal Training in 1994. Mr. Speir currently serves on the Advisory Board for Clayton State University's ABA-approved Paralegal Program. He recently served as the Chapter Chair for the Southern Region of the International Practice Management Association.

Mr. Speir is married to Melissa Speir, a fellow UGA graduate, and has two children, a freshman at the University of Georgia and a sophomore at North Atlanta High School. When not in the office, Todd enjoys many outdoor activities, including cycling, hiking and paddling.

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**Keisha D. Hudson, JD** is the Chair & Lead Instructor for the Paralegal Studies program at Atlanta Technical College. She began her career in teaching as an adjunct with the College in 2010 and joined the faculty full-time during the Fall semester of 2014. Prior to joining Atlanta Tech, Keisha spent over 10 years as a legal recruiter both in the Atlanta and Columbus, Ohio markets. There her primary responsibilities were placement of paralegals in large law firms and corporate legal departments. Keisha graduated from the University of Cincinnati College of Law and is licensed in the State of Ohio (inactive).



**Dorina Dupuis** began her legal career as a Paralegal working for both small and large sized firms. She has since used her Paralegal experience to successfully place legal professionals in law firms and corporations working as a recruiter for Paramount Staffing shortly after its inception 19 years ago. She now holds the title of Senior Recruiting Consultant, and has consistently proven throughout her tenure at Paramount that she can listen to the specific and specialized needs of each of her clients and subsequently find the most qualified candidates for them. Her growing referral base has allowed her to extend her range to place legal staff not only in the metro Atlanta area, but also throughout the Southeast. Through her extensive involvement with AALA and IPMA, as well as her lengthy successful career, she stays abreast of current trends and growth patterns in the legal community.