

*An Indispensable CLE on Handling  
Traumatic Brain Injury Cases*



# Handling the Traumatic Brain Injury Case

*A one-day comprehensive seminar on the fundamental medical-legal issues of traumatic brain injury every attorney needs to attend*

May 11, 2012 / 8:00am—5:00pm

Washington State Convention Center—Room #3AB (Level 3 North)



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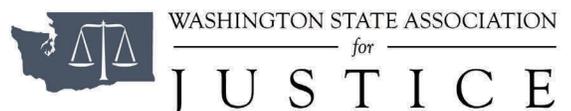
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BIAWA vision is a world where brain injury is prevented, and every person already affected by its impact benefits from resources that maximize his/her quality of life.

The mission is to increase public awareness, support, and hope for those affected by brain injury through education, assistance, and advocacy.

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**HANDLING THE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY CASE**  
**Program Co-Chairs Simon H. Forgette and Richard H. Adler**

*This program is designed to provide a solid and comprehensive introduction and refresher to the fundamental medical-legal issues of traumatic brain injury for attorneys.*

**MORNING SESSION: MEDICAL ISSUES**

08:00 - 08:30 Registration

08:30 - 09:30 *Medical Overview of Traumatic Brain Injury: Brain Anatomy and Function, Mechanics of Brain Trauma and Diagnostic Techniques* **Richard G. Ellenbogen, M.D.**, Professor and Chairman of Neurological Surgery at the University of Washington School of Medicine, Chief of Neurological Surgery at Harborview Medical Center; Past President Congress of Neurological Surgery; Co-Chair of the NFL's Head, Neck and Spine Committee; Co-Medical Director of Harborview Medical Center's Seattle Sports Concussion Clinic

09:30 - 10:30 *Understanding Neuro-Imaging Scans: what they show and what they don't show. Xrays, CT, MRI, 3tMRI DTI, functional-MRI, EEG. PET, SPECT* **Samuel R. Browd, M.D., Ph.D.**, Attending Neurosurgeon Seattle Children's Hospital, Harborview Medical Center, and University of Washington's Medical Center

10:30 - 10:45 Break

10:45-11:30 *A Concussion is a Traumatic Brain Injury and It Can be Serious: The Perspective of a Professional Sports Team Doctor* **Stanley A. Herring, M.D.**, Seattle Seahawks and Seattle Mariner Team Physician; Professor of Medicine at University of Washington Medical Center; Departments of Orthopedics, Neurosurgery, and Rehabilitation Medicine; Co-Medical Director of Harborview Medical Center's Seattle Sports Concussion Clinic

11:30-12:15 *Neuropsychological Evaluation: The Assessment and Treatment of Traumatic Brain Injury* **Martha Glisky, Ph.D, ABPP-Cn**, Board Certified Clinical Neuropsychologist

12:15 - 12:30 *The Brain Injury Association of Washington: An Important Resource for You and Your Client* **Deborah Crawley, Executive Director**, Brain Injury Association of Washington

12:30 - 1:30 Lunch - on your own

**AFTERNOON SESSION: LEGAL ISSUES**

01:30 - 02:00 *ERISA Subrogation and Your Traumatic Brain Injury Case: There is a Rosie Future in the 9th Circuit's Rose case* **Michael Nelson and Fred Langer**, Seattle Attorneys, WSAJ Eagle members, Professional Member of the Brain Injury Association of Washington

02:00 - 02:30 *The Use of Lay Witnesses and Family Members to Prove Brain Injury* **John R. Christensen**, Tacoma Attorney, WSAJ Eagle Member, Professional Member of the Brain Injury Association of Washington.

02:30- 03:00 *Defense Perspective: Common Mistakes Plaintiffs Attorneys Make When Representing a Traumatically Brain Injured Client* **Melissa D. Carter and Arthur D. Leritz**, Seattle Attorneys, WSAJ Eagle Members, Professional Members of the Brain Injury Association, Former Senior Trial Attorney for Insurance Companies

03:00 - 03:15 Break

03:15 - 04:15 *Ethics Hour: Medicare Set-Asides, Settlement Issues and Coordination of Government Benefits in Traumatic Brain Injury Cases* **William L. E. Dussault, J. D.** Seattle attorney and WSAJ Eagle Member

04:15 - 04:45 *Traumatic Brain Injury and Case Presentations with Video* **Richard H. Adler, J. D.** Seattle Attorney, WSAJ Eagle Member, Past President and Current Chairman of the Brain Injury Association of Washington.

04:45 - 05:15 *Finding and Developing Insurance Coverage for Your Brain Injured Client: from Additional Insureds and Excess Policies to Bad Faith* **Simon H. Forgette, J.D.** Kirkland attorney and WSAJ Eagle Member, Professional Member of the Brain Injury Association of Washington

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7.0 CLE Credits in  
Oregon &  
Washington  
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1.0 Ethics

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*Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI):* TBI is an insult to the brain, not of a degenerative or congenital nature, caused by an external physical force, that results in impairment or cognitive abilities or physical function.

- 1.4 million sustain a TBI each year in the US
- 50,000 die from TBI each year
- 235,000 are hospitalized from TBI each year
- Leading causes of TBI are motor vehicle collisions and falls

**Attendees will receive:**

- Comprehensive manual with handouts;
- Continental breakfast and afternoon snack;
- Access to nationally recognized leaders in legal, medial and ethical practices; 7.0 CLE credits including 1 ethics credit

**To register, fill out this form and remit to BIAWA Office via**

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**Cancellation Policy:** Full refunds are available if cancellation is made by April 13, 2012. If cancellation is made after that date 50% is refundable.

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**Seminar Tuition:**

- ◇ Attorney \$250.00
- ◇ Other Professional \$200.00  
(medical, paralegal, case manager, etc.)
- ◇ Law Student \$75.00

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