

## **Minutes of October 21, 2008 Workers' Compensation Executive Committee Meeting**

Location: CBA, New Britain. The meeting began at 5:50 P.M.

The meeting began with a presentation by Don Philips, who is the legislative liaison for the CBA and its in-house government relations counsel. One of his responsibilities is to ensure that the CBA and its sections comply with the state code of ethics. Since the CBA is a regulated lobbying organization, its interactions with state agencies are audited periodically. His presentation educated those present regarding constraints imposed by the state ethics code on the section's activities and dealings with the Workers' Compensation Commission, its staff, and commissioners. Any section members who have questions about the code of ethics and how it affects the activities of the section should call Mr. Philips at the CBA. Members of the section may also contact the Office of Staff Ethics to obtain a written opinion on a specific issue.

After the presentation, Bob Enright convened the regular meeting. The minutes from the two prior meetings, March 12, 2008 and June 17, 2008, were approved.

A letter from Rick Aiken indicated that the 2008 golf tournament had raised net proceeds of over \$10,000.

Frank May reported on the activities of the Screening and Examining Committees.

Donna Civitello reported on Compensation Quarterly.

David Weil reported on the upcoming medical seminar.

Kevin Coombes presented options for the location of the 2009 Exotic Seminar. Names of possible speakers were also put forward.

Larry Pellett reported on the website committee.

Lengthy discussion was had regarding whether the Pomeranz/O'Brien award should be awarded in the absence of written standards. Ultimately, the Executive Committee members present agreed by acclamation that the award should be presented to Jim Pomeranz at the October 28<sup>th</sup> section meeting.

The meeting ended at 7:09 P.M.