#### **UPCOMING ADC EVENTS**

August 3, 2002 Bad Faith Hyatt Regency, Monterey

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December 5-6, 2002 43rd Annual Meeting Westin St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco

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#### LOCATION INFORMATION

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# VERITAS TOXIC MOLD

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The Handling and Defense of the Toxic Mold Case

June 21, 2002 DoubleTree Hotel Sacramento, CA

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## TOXIC MOLD LITIGATION:

#### The Handling and Defense of the Toxic Mold Case

Friday, June 21, 2002 – The DoubleTree Hotel • 2001 Point West Way Sacramento, CA 95815 • 916-929-8855

- pitfalls defense strategies handling the combined personal injury and construction defect case
  - what experts you need
    discovery and evidence
    current case results and court rulings in personal injury mold cases
     legislative update on mold legislation

#### 8:30 am-Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:30-10:30 am—Organizing the Defense of the Construction Defect Mold Case



This session will focus on the initial handling and organization of a construction defect mold case from the perspective of both the developer/general contractor and subcontractor. The panel will also discuss how the new Calderon law (Civil Code Section 1375, operative July 1, 2002) impacts the initial handling of these claims. *Tyler Berding, Berding & Weil; Thomas Castle, Griffiths, Castle and Schwartzman; and William Peters, Gordon & Rees.* 

10:30-10:45 am—Break

#### 10:45-11:45 am—Discovery, Experts, Evidence



The panel will address issues relating to the types of experts that should be retained, the scope of expert investigation, preservation of evidence and coordination of testing with plaintiffs. *Richard Avelar, AIA, Avelar & Associates; David Kahane, Certified Industrial Hygenist, Forensic Analytical; Julie McElroy, Jacobsen & McElroy; and moderator Dave Henningsen.* 

#### 12:00 noon-1:00 pm—Lunch

Discussion of current and proposed legislation relating to mold claims. *Senator Deborah Ortiz (invited)* and *Mike Belote, California Advocates, Inc. (Legislative Advocate for the California Defense Counsel).* 

#### 1:30-2:30 pm—Mold Personal Injury Update: Discovery and Trial Issues



This panel will focus on the personal injury mold case. The panel will discuss discovery and pretrial orders, medical experts, causation and Kelly-Frye Motions and recent mold trials across the country. *Susan Hickman, Hinshaw & Culbertson; John Miller, Charter Miller Davis; Christopher Lozano, McCormick, Barstow, Sheppard, Wayte & Carruth; and Mike Pietrykowsky, Gordon & Rees.* 

2:30-3:00 pm—Break

#### 3:00-4:00 pm—Roundtable Discussion



The handling of the combined construction defect and mold case. The panelists from the above sessions along with moderator, Sandy Kaplan, will discuss the many issues and complexities that arise when a construction defect case and personal injury mold case are consolidated into one action. Both plaintiff and defense lawyers will participate in the discussion and will address such issues as trial bifurcation, expert testimony, statute of limitations, and presentation of evidence.

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