

#WDCSC2026



Wisconsin Defense Counsel
*Defending Individuals and
Businesses in Civil Litigation*

2026 Spring Conference

April 23-24, 2026

The American Club
419 Highland Dr.
Kohler, WI 53044

Program Chair:
Nicole Radler
Simpson and Dearnorff, S.C.

*Schedule of Events
& Registration
Information inside!*

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been approved .**

Schedule of Events

Thursday, April 23, 2026

12:30PM
Registration

12:55 - 1:00 PM
Opening Remarks

1:00 - 1:50 PM
Defending the Defenses: Protecting Privileged Communications in Insurance and Bad Faith Litigation
Jonathan Schwartz, Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP

1:50 – 2:00 PM
Break

2:00 - 2:50 PM
Untangling the Coverage Knot: Presenting Complex (and Simple) Coverage Arguments to Trial and Appellate Courts
Alexander C. Lemke & David McCormack, Meissner Tierney Fisher & Nichols S.C.

2:50 – 3:00 PM
Break

3:00 - 3:50 PM
What Actually Won the Case: Inside a Defense Verdict in a Recent Civil Trial
Joseph Mirabella, Simpson & Deardorff, S.C., & Judge Zachary A. Wittchow, Waukesha County Circuit Court

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
Cocktail Reception

Hotel Information

The American Club
419 Highland Dr.
Kohler, WI 53044

Call the American Club at 844-409-5614 and reference Reservation 586088 to reserve your room. A special rate of \$256 for single/double occupancy is available. Please notify the reservation department that you are with the Wisconsin Defense Counsel (WDC) 2026 Spring Conference.

WDC Room Block Deadline:
April 3, 2026, 5:00 PM CST



Friday, April 24, 2026

7:00 - 8:00 AM
Gentle Yoga and Meditation*
Sponsored by the WDC Wellness Committee

8:15 - 9:00 AM
Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 - 9:50 AM
Beyond the Diagnosis: Understanding Concussions and Headaches in Personal Injury Litigation
Dr. Sepehr B. Sani, Sponsored by WDC Corporate Sponsor, Woodlake Medical Management

9:50 – 10:00 AM
Break

10:00 - 10:50 AM
The Latest in Appraisal
Erik M. Gustafson, von Briesen & Roper, s.c.

10:50 – 11:00 AM
Break

11:00 AM - 11:50 AM
Playing Defense at 30(b)(6) Depositions
Frederick Strampe,, Borgelt, Powell, Peterson & Frauen, S.C.

11:50 AM
Adjourn

*** Gentle Yoga and Meditation**
Sponsored by the WDC Wellness Committee
No Fee; Limited to 30 Attendees

Unwind and recharge with this calming session designed to support both physical and mental well-being. Through gentle yoga movements, mindful breathing, and guided meditation, participants will release tension, improve flexibility, and cultivate a sense of balance and relaxation. This welcoming session is suitable for all experience levels. Dress comfortably and yoga mats will be provided.

2026 WDC Spring Conference Registration

TO REGISTER FOR THE WINTER CONFERENCE

Fill out this page and mail it back to the WDC office with payment. You may fax with credit card payment to: (414) 755-1346.

Registration is also available online at www.wdc-online.org

ATTENDEE INFORMATION

Name _____
Firm/Company _____
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City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____ Fax _____
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PRICING INFORMATION

WDC Members

- Full Conference – Attorneys – \$295
- Full Conference – Non-Attorneys – \$185
- Thursday Only – Attorneys – \$185
- Thursday Only – Non-Attorneys – \$135
- Friday Only – Attorneys – \$185
- Friday Only – Non-Attorneys – \$135

Non-Members

- Full Conference – Attorneys – \$325
- Full Conference – Non-Attorneys – \$225
- Thursday Only – Attorneys – \$225
- Thursday Only – Non-Attorneys – \$165
- Friday Only – Attorneys – \$225
- Friday Only – Non-Attorneys – \$165

Law Student Members

- Complimentary - \$0

Please note, your name will be displayed on the WDC website as attending this meeting.

Check here to opt out of this listing

Please note, your contact information will be provided to on-site sponsors at this meeting.

Check here to opt out of this listing

I would like to attend Gentle Yoga and Meditation on Friday Morning

Limited to 30 Attendees

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Make Checks Payable to: WDC

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

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Cardholder's Name _____

Cardholder's Signature _____

CANCELLATION POLICY

Notice given more than 72 hours before the start of the program will receive a 100% refund. Cancellations of 24-72 hours will be charged a \$25 processing fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations of 24 hours prior to the conference or later.

If you have any questions, please contact the WDC office: (414) 276-1881 or E-mail: info@WDC-online.org