

***The Lumbar Spine Research Society Presents:  
9<sup>th</sup> Annual Instructional Course Lectures  
May 11, 18, 25, 2021 – 7:00 PM Central Standard Time***

***Linking the Law and the Lumbar Spine***

**Education Chairmen:**

Jeffrey D. Coe, MD

Michael J. Lee, MD

***May 11, 2021 7:00 PM Central Time***

***Section 1: Lawsuits and the Lumbar Spine- Overview and Process of a Malpractice Claim***

7:00 Welcome & Intro

7:05-7:20 *Current state of lumbar malpractice spine claims*  
Dean Chou, MD | [University of California San Francisco](#)

7:20-7:35 Global View of the Legal Process of a Malpractice Claim  
Jonathan E. Cavins, JD | [Brennan Burtker](#)

7:35-7:50 The Hospital's Perspective  
Bruce V. Darden, II, MD | [OrthoCarolina](#)

7:50-8:10 DISCUSSION

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***Section 2: Perspectives, Pearls, and Pitfalls: Lessons Learned, Changes in Practice***

7:05-7:20 The Plaintiff's Attorney Perspective  
***Chris Stombough***

7:20-7:35 The Defense Attorney's Perspective  
Peter W. Brandt, JD | [LivingstonBarger](#)

7:35-7:50 The Surgeon's Perspective Part I  
James Harrop, MD | [Thomas Jefferson University](#)

7:50- 8:05 The Surgeon's Perspective Part II  
Alexander R. Vacarro, MD, PhD, MBA | [Rothman Orthopaedics](#)

8:05-8:30 Discussion

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Section 3: Conflicts and Expert Testimony

- 7:05-7:15      **The Spine and Personal Injury: A Challenge for the Spine Surgeon-**  
Jeffrey D. Coe, MD | [Ortho NorCal](#)
- 7:15-7:25      **Intellectual Property and Building a Non-Clinical Practice**  
Jeffrey Roh, MD, MBA, MSc. | [IntuitiveX](#)
- 7:25-7:40      **The Lumbar Spine Surgeon as an Expert Witness**  
Alexander J. Ghanayem, MD, FAOA, FAAOS | [Loyola University](#)
- 7:40-7:55      **Conflicts of Interest: Industry, Physician Ownership, Surgical Center, and more**  
Richard N.W. Wohns, MD, JD, MBA | [NeoSpine](#)
- 7:55-8:10 Discussion