

JUNE 2022 SUBROGATION NEWSLETTER

Matthiesen, Wickert & Lehrer Unleashes New And Improved Subrogation Website!

On June 15, MWL announced the unveiling of its new website – a completely reworked, state-of-the-art, interactive, and encyclopedic subrogation tool which promises to make your subrogation responsibilities easier and more effective. It has been two years in the making, and we are proud of the finished product – a huge functional and aesthetic improvement to the world’s most heavily-trafficked law firm website and the country’s most-utilized subrogation and training resource. It has many new and exciting features like increased functionality, more user-friendly features, easier-to-find helpful subrogation information, and a more streamlined and secure file referral portal. Be sure to check it out! Feedback is welcome!



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Making Mountains Out Of Molehills: Nuclear Subrogation Demands in Small Claims



Small claims make up the majority of insurance claims handled today. If your subrogation law firm or recovery vendor does not handle small claims, you shouldn’t use them. Recognizing the qualities of a firm willing to handle your small subrogation claims and the limitations of a firm who has dollar limits, cut-offs, and restrictions on what they will handle, is the first key to leveraging your subrogation work and getting the best recoveries across all lines of insurance and sizes of claims.

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Landlord/Tenant Subrogation The Subject Of New Legislation In Washington

On March 17, 2022, Washington Gov. Jay Inslee signed into law House Bill 2064, which makes sweeping changes to the landlord/tenant subrogation landscape, but perhaps not to the bottom line of when and how a landlord’s insurer can subrogate. The law takes effect on June 9, 2022, amending the Residential Landlord-Tenant Act of 1973 (RLTA), which establishes rights and duties of both tenants and landlords, procedures for the parties to enforce their rights, and remedies for violations of the RLTA.



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Frozen Pipe Claims: Subrogation, Common Failures, and Complex Causes



Each year, water damage and freezing pipes cost insurers \$15-\$20 billion and result in claims from approximately 1 in 50 insured homes. Often, frozen pipe claims are the result of multiple factors. Aggressive subrogation investigation means we must investigate the system as a whole, consider all possible causal factors, and collect evidence not only relating to the pipe itself but its surroundings as well.

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Matthiesen, Wickert & Lehrer Welcomes Ana Zabalgoitia To The Firm



MWL is pleased to welcome **Ana Zabalgoitia**, a new senior litigation associate, to the firm’s Austin branch office. She is licensed in Texas and New Mexico. Ana will be a welcome addition to the growing litigation team in our Austin branch. Ana will primarily be handling insurance defense cases along with subrogation matters involving property and casualty, workers’ compensation, and automobile subrogation cases throughout Texas and New Mexico.

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Webinar | Fully-Insured and Non-ERISA Plans: Advanced Topics in Preemption and Anti-Subrogation Exceptions



(Health Subrogation Webinar Series Part 6)

Not all employee welfare benefit plans are ERISA-covered, and many ERISA-covered health plans are not self-funded. What if your plan is self-funded but doesn’t qualify for preemption? What if it’s fully-funded, and qualifies for preemption, just not as often as a private, self-funded plan? What if state law applies, but the Plan, the participant, and the accident aren’t all within the same state?

Ryan Woody, Nancy Case, and Catherine Dowie will delve into the nuances of ERISA’s preemption, saving and deemer clauses; looking at what they mean, which state laws are preempted, and why. We will teach you how to make sure you aren’t missing out on recoveries for plans in the most problematic states like Arizona, California, Georgia, Kansas, Missouri, Montana, New York, North Carolina, or Pennsylvania.

Date: July 26, 2022
Time: 11:00 - 12:00 p.m. (CST)
Presenter: **Ryan Woody**
Presenter: **Nancy Case**
Presenter: **Catherine Dowie**
Cost: Complimentary

[Click HERE To Register](#)

Time Travel For The Insurance Industry

See [HERE](#) for a provocative 60-second video explaining why Matthiesen, Wickert & Lehrer views the handling of your subrogation claims - large and small - as time travel for the insurance industry. We help turn back the hands of time and attack the enemy of our industry - claims - utilizing our experience and expertise. Check it out!



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Join MWL's LinkedIn Subrogation Support Network Group!

We welcome you to join our LinkedIn **Subrogation Support Network** Group! It is a community managed by Matthiesen, Wickert & Lehrer, S.C., that offers insurance professionals a place to interact, discuss subrogation insurance-related topics and issues, ask subrogation questions, and keep abreast of new developments and/or changes in the subrogation law for all 50 states. If you would like to join this LinkedIn group, please click [HERE](#).

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