# Bad Faith

## March 20, 2026

4 CLE Credits

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Albuquerque, NM
87102

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| 1 | 12:00PM - 1:30pm<br>**Courtenay Keller**<br>Riley\|Keller\|Gonzales | **If you know, you know: What every policyholder defense attorney should know about bad faith law in New Mexico.** |
| 2 | 1:30PM-2:30PM<br>**Philip Savrin**<br>Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP | **Landscape of Bad Faith Litigation against Insurance companies in New Mexico VS Other Jurisdictions** |
| 3 | 2:30PM-3:30PM<br>**Todd Schwarz**<br>Miller Stravert | **Stay Tuned!** |
| 4 | 3:30PM-4:00PM<br>**Break** | Sweet Treats |
| 5 | 4:00PM-4:30PM<br>**Taryn Kaselonis**<br>Riley\|Keller\|Gonzales | **Rapid Fire Panel** |

**Happy Hour to Follow**

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# Faculty

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## Courtenay Keller *Riley|Keller|Gonzales*

Ms. Keller is the president and a director of Riley | Keller | Gonzales. She served on the NMDLA Defense News board of editors for 12 years and as co-editor-in-chief for 6 years. She was a member of the NMDLA board of directors and served as president in 2017. She received the NMDLA Lawyer of the Year award in 2022. Ms. Keller is a member of the American College of Coverage Counsel and the Federation of Defense and Corporate Counsel. She has been listed in SuperLawyers since 2014 and was recently recognized by SuperLawyers as one of New Mexico's Top 25 attorneys. Ms. Keller specializes in the defense of insurance companies in matters involving extra-contractual liability, coverage, and uninsured motorist law. She regularly advises clients on coverage issues and provides both claims counseling and litigation representation in matters in which policy holders seek extra-contractual damages under commercial, personal, professional, excess, and surplus lines of insurance. Ms. Keller is an experienced trial attorney who provides representation of insurers, claim representatives, and insurance agents from the pre-suit claim stage through litigation, trial, and appeal.

## Philip Savrin *Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP*

Philip W. Savrin is a partner in the Atlanta office of Freeman Mathis & Gary, LLP where he oversees the Insurance Coverage and Extra-Contractual Liability National Practice Group as well as the Appellate Advocacy National Practice Section. After graduating from Boston University School of Law, he served as a Staff Attorney for the Eleventh Circuit and then as a law clerk for the Honorable Harold L. Murphy of the Northern District of Georgia. He specializes in the areas of appellate litigation and insurance law and has argued twice in the Supreme Court of the United States, in Scott v. Harris, 550 U.S. 372 (2007) and Reed v. Gilbert, 576 U.S. 155 (2015). He is ranked by Chambers USA as Band 1 for insurance, is listed in Best Lawyers in America for both insurance law and municipal liability and has been designated a Super Lawyer by Georgia Trend Magazine for many years.

## Todd Schwarz *Miller Stravert P.A.*

Todd Schwarz graduated from Miami University with a B.A. in Economics in 1993 and from Case Western Reserve University School of Law in 1996. His first law job brought him to Albuquerque in 1996, and he has practiced in New Mexico since. Mr. Schwarz is a Director and Vice President of Miller Stratvert P.A., a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and licensed in New Mexico, Colorado, and Texas. He has tried over 30 jury trials, including multiple bad faith insurance cases, wrongful death cases, burn cases, and traumatic brain injury cases. Mr. Schwarz has concentrated on bad faith insurance issues for over 12 years and has handled more than 250 extra contractual cases to conclusion, including first and third-party actions. Mr. Schwarz has been recognized by Best Lawyers (Litigation-Insurance and Personal Injury Litigation-Defendants) since 2019 and was named Lawyer of the Year (Insurance Law) in 2024.

## Taryn Kaselonis *Riley|Keller|Gonzales*

Ms. Kaselonis is a shareholder with the firm. Ms. Kaselonis' trial practice focuses on the representation of property and casualty insurers in matters involving extra-contractual liability, coverage, and uninsured motorist law. Ms. Kaselonis regularly advises clients on coverage issues and provides claims counseling and litigation representation in matters involving commercial, personal, professional, umbrella, excess, and surplus lines of insurance. In addition to her first party practice, Ms. Kaselonis has handled the defense of third parties in litigation in areas involving wrongful death, catastrophic injury, medical malpractice, premises liability and construction defect.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Kaselonis worked as a prosecutor at the Second Judicial District Attorney's Office from 2011-2017. During her time at the DA's office, she worked in the Metropolitan Court Division, Felony Domestic Violence Division, Felony DWI Division, and General Crimes Division. She prosecuted hundreds of cases ranging from DWIs to complex multiple co-defendant cases. Her experience includes numerous bench and jury trials.