### **Conference Co-Chairs:**

S. Isaac Escobedo, Esq. Janice Skiljo Haris, RN Richard Marconi



# AWCP Psych Virtual Mini Conference and Wine Tasting Networking Event!

**Thursday, July 29, 2021** 

Conference: 1:00 p.m. — 5:00 p.m. Wine Tasting Event: 5:00 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.



### **BRAIN AND IDEA!**

Speakers, Topics, Sponsorships, Expo and Registration Follows!

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## Agenda

12: 30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Early Hopin Sign-in (Test Tech & Expo)

1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Welcome & Opening Remarks Crystal McLain, AWCP President

S. Isaac Escobedo, Esq., Conference Co-Chair Janice Skiljo Haris, RN, Conference Co-Chair Richard Marconi, Conference Co-Chair

1:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Expo** 

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Legal & Claims Perspective of Psych Claims** 

S. Isaac Escobedo, Esq. Mullen & Filippi, LLC

Richard Marconi City of Sacramento

2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

**Expo** 

2:45 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Medical Evaluation of Psych Claims** 

Brian Jacks, M.D.

**MEDLink** 

Emotional Disorders with TBI: Evaluation, Impairment,

Diagnosis & Credibility Grant Hutchinson, Ph.D.

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4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Psych Claims Wrap Up with Q&A by Faculty

4:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Raffle from Exhibitors & Wine Tasting Set up

5:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

**Batia Vineyards Wine Tasting Presentation** 

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Wine Tasting & Networking in Lounges







### **Topics**

### **Session 1: Legal & Claims Perspective of Psych Claims**

Speakers: S. Isaac Escobedo, Esq. (Mullen & Filippi) & Richard Marconi (City of Sacramento)

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- What constitutes a psych claim from a legal and claims perspective?
- What constitutes the parameters for a psych claim for non-safety versus safety-officers?
- What are the types of psych claims: Pure psych claim versus psych compensable consequence?
- What are the legal defenses for psych claims pre-SB 863 and post-SB 863 (1/1/2013)?
- Legal discussion of PTSD presumption, catastrophic, sudden extraordinary, violent act
- How do you prepare a cover letter for the Psych QME/AME?

#### **Case Law Discussion:**

- Good Faith (Rolda, Travelers, Stolp, Ferrell, Hingada)
- Violent act versus sudden extraordinary (Larsen, Guerrero, Greenbrae)
- ) Catastrophic (Wilson)

### Session 2A: Medical Evaluation of Psych Claims

Speaker 2A: Brian Jacks, M.D., Psychiatry, MEDLink

#### **Content:**

- Evaluation of Mental-Mental Psych Claim
- How does a Psych determine Impairment: Standard utilizing GAF scale,
- Psych impairment determination in Almaraz/Guzman Analogy, if applicable?
- Psych approach when asked about WPI for CVC, Kite, Hikida
- How does a Psych determine Causation & Apportionment?
- Psych determination of causation in Rolda Good Faith Personnel Claim

#### Speaker 2B: Emotional Disorders with TBI: Evaluation, Impairment, Diagnosis & Credibility

Speaker: Grant Hutchinson, Ph.D., Psychology/Neuropsychology, MEDLink

#### **Content:**

- Psyche vs. Neuropsyche vs. Combined evaluations
- Interview, Testing & History
- The Importance of History and Major to Minor Brain Injury
- Contaminating Factors in Neuropsychological Exams: Insufficient Effort
- The Influence of Somatoform Disorder on Neuropsychological Exams
- A Few Thoughts on PTSD and Neuropsychology

### Session 3: Psych Claims Wrap Up with Q&A

Speakers: S. Isaac Escobedo, Esq., Brian Jacks, M.D., Richard Marconi and Grant Hutchinson, Ph.D.





## S. Isaac Escobedo, Esq.



S. Isaac Escobedo has been practicing law since 2003. He began his career as a Deputy District Attorney in Merced County where he gained invaluable litigation experience doing multiple court and jury trials. He was one of three attorneys in the General Felony Department which was usually reserved for attorneys with many more years of

experience. He was also a Deputy City Attorney for the City of Merced where he acted as counsel for Parks & Recreation and Code Enforcement.

Isaac has been practicing workers' compensation law since June 2009. Isaac is also on the AWCP Board of Directors and Education Committee.





**Grant L. Hutchinson, Ph.D.**Clinical Psychology & Neuropsychology

#### **Biography**

Dr. Grant Hutchinson completed his doctorate in clinical psychology with a specialty in neuropsychology in 1972 at the University of Kansas and served his internship at the Wadsworth Veterans' Administration Center. He was staff psychologist at Sutter Hospitals' Outpatient Adult Mental Health Service and Childrens' Inpatient Psychiatric Unit from 1972 to 1974. He served as assistant clinical professor of psychiatry at the UCD Medical Center from 1978 to 2002. He has also been in the private practice of medical psychology and clinical neuropsychology for over 42 years, performing psychological Independent Medical Evaluations (IMEs), Qualified Medical Evaluations (QMEs), and Agreed Medical Evaluations (AMEs)\* evaluations, neuropsychological and chronic pain evaluations, fitness for duty evaluations, and has provided testimony in civil and criminal cases. He has extensive teaching experience, is published in the areas of neuropsychology and Disorders of Simulation, and has been invited to give addresses both domestically and internationally.

Dr. Hutchinson presented to AWCP Annual Conference in 2012, 2015, 2017, and 2019 on the topic of psychology and neuropsychologicy in Workers' Comp. Medical-Legal Scheduling for Dr.'s offices in Sacramento and Oakland is through **MEDLink (415) 399 9769.** 

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**Brian Jacks, M.D.**Child, Adolescent & Adult Psychiatry

#### **Biography**

Dr. Brian Jacks completed his doctorate in psychiatry in 1967 at University of Ontario and served his internship at Menninger Institute, Topeka, KS in Summer 1966 and Vancouver General Hospital, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, from 1967 to 1968.

He was an Assistant Director of Child/Adolescent Psychiatry Outpatient Services, in LAC-USC Medical Center from 1972 to 1976. He was Ward Chief 8AB Long-Term Intensive Adolescent Inpatient Services, and Director of Residency Training for Child/Adolescent Psychiatry from 1976 to 1979. He was an Examiner for National Boards of Psychiatry and Neurology in 1978. He has done Med-Legal evaluations in the areas of Workers' Compensation, Child custody and Personal Injury. He was a Delegate to Regional Councils of American Academy of Child Psychiatry as representative from Southern California from 1979 to 1981. He was also a Peer Review Committee Member for Southern California Society of Child Psychiatry from 1985 to 1989, a Chairman in Committee on Child / Adolescent Psychiatry for Southern California Psychiatric Society in 1988.

He has been in the private practice for Child, Adolescent & Adult psychiatry since October 1979.

Dr. Jacks has performed psychiatric Independent Medical Evaluations (IMEs), Qualified Medical Evaluations (QMEs), and Agreed Medical Evaluations (AMEs)\* evaluations, fitness for duty evaluations, and has provided testimony in civil cases. He has teaching experience, is published in the areas of psychiatry, and has been invited to give presentations.

Medical-Legal Scheduling for Dr.'s offices in Fresno, Oakland, San Jose, and Sacramento is through **MEDLink (415) 399 9769.** 

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### **Richard Marconi**



Richard Marconi is Claims Adjuster at the City of Sacramento, specializing in Public Safety Claims for the Police and Fire Dept. at the City of Sacramento. He has been in claims since 2003 starting with the Travelers and have been with the City of Sacramento since 2007.

Currently, Richard holds SIP, WCCP and

CPCU designations.

Richard is also a former President of AWCP in 2011 and was a part of the association between 2006 and 2012. Richard did work on various programs put on by the association. In 2020, Richard returned to the AWCP Board of Directors.

In his off time, Richard loves to travel and enjoy visiting the wine country.







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# **Attendee Registration**



**Conference Only Registration** 

Members: Adjusters: \$0 Attorneys/Other: \$20

Non-Members: Adjusters: \$0 Attorneys/Other: \$40

### **Conference with Wine/Networking Registration**

**Members: Adjusters: \$40** Attorneys/Other: \$60

Non-Members: Adjusters: \$40 Attorneys/Other: \$80 \*\*Important: Wine event registration must be received by July 20, 2021\*\*

Batia Vineyards flyer with wine selections follows!

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The AWCP Board Committee specifically selected the following wines for the networking event!

### **Blanc Collection Selections**

#### **2018 Marsanne**

Estate grown Marsanne producers deeply colored, full bodied, white wine, rich and nutty with hints of spice and pear. Aged in Acaia wood and steel barrels.

### **2017 Dos Blancos**

Medium to full bodied white wine with hints of lemon, citrus and pear. The richness of 77% Roussanne pairs with the aromatic complexity of 23% Viognier. Aged in Neutral oak and steel barrels.

### **2018 Grenache Rose**

Estate grown Grenache. Intense and rich in color with flavorful hints of ripe apple and strawberry with a slight sparkle that lends to the refreshing, short finish.

### **Rouge Collection Selections**

### 2017 Grenache

Estate grown. Light ruby red color with hints of vanilla and cherry. Light on the palate with a silky finish. Aged predominantly in French oak.

### **2016 Syrah**

Full bodied, front loaded burst of flavor that tapers off and has spicy, peppery notes in the finish. Though complex, it is incredibly soft on the palate with a short, light finish.

### 2015 Dulce Rojo

A blend of four traditional Rhone varietals. Grenache, Syrah, Mourvèdre and Petite Sirah. Easy drinker with full body and drier finish.



À Votre Santé!