



Quality Construction Alliance National Issues Conference

TUESDAY, MAY 10TH – THURSDAY, MAY 12TH, 2016

MARRIOTT GEORGETOWN HOTEL

1221 22ND STREET, NW, WASHINGTON, DC, 20037 – (202) 872-1500

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE (As of April 6, 2016)

TUESDAY, MAY 10TH

- Noon – 5:00 p.m. Registration/Capitol Hill Appointments Desk Open – *Marriot Georgetown Hotel*
- 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Regulatory Program
 - Affirmative Action Plan Requirements for Registered Apprenticeship Programs
 - Panel 1: Policy Issues**
 - Elijah Cummings (D-MD)
 - Lonnie Coleman, MCAA Past President; DoL Apprenticeship Advisory Committee
 - Laura Kopack, MCA of Detroit Community Outreach Exec.; MI Civil Rights Commission
 - Panel 2: Affirmative Action Program Compliance**
 - Lou Malone, O'Donoghue and O'Donoghue; Counsel, UA/MCAA Int'l Training Fund
 - John Piatt, Biddle Consulting Group
 - Sick and Safe Leave Administration Proposal
 - Legal Compliance
- Lobbying Issue Sheets Review: Pensions; Energy; Infrastructure – Infrastructure Authorizations/Contracting Issues
- 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. All-Associations Reception - *Marriot Georgetown Hotel*

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH EVENTS WILL BE HELD AT THE [MARRIOTT GEORGETOWN HOTEL](#) AND THE [NEWSEUM \(555 PENNSYLVANIA AVE., NW\)](#)

- 6:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Registration/Capitol Hill Appointments Desk Open – *Marriot Georgetown Hotel*
Capitol Hill Appointments desk will move to Newseum during Policy Forum; QCA Registration desk will remain open at the hotel until 1:00pm
- 6:30 – 7:30 a.m. Breakfast – *Marriot Georgetown Hotel*
- 7:15 – 7:45 a.m. Shuttle Buses Available to the [Newseum](#) – 555 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, 7th Fl. Knight Conf. Center
- 8:00 – 11:30 a.m. Program moves to the Newseum – Enter at 6th St. Freedom Forum entrance; take elevator to 7th Floor Knight Conference Center
Coffee, soft drinks available

POLICY FORUM ON PENSION COMPOSITE PLANS, ENERGY AND INFRASTRUCTURE MARKET INITIATIVES AT THE NEWSEUM

555 PENNSYLVANIA AVE., NW, 7TH FLOOR - KNIGHT CONFERENCE CENTER

- 8:15 a.m. Welcome & Opening Remarks
- 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Multiemployer Pension Composite Plans: A Safe Harbor for Employers and Workers**
 Moderator: George Miller, Former Representative and Ranking Member, Education & Workforce
 Speakers: Randy DeFrehn, Executive Dir., NCCMP
 Preston Rutledge, Tax & Benefits Counsel, Senate Finance Committee
 (Rep. Kline invited – Also waiting to invite W&M Rep)
Infrastructure Appropriations: Federal Funding and Union Construction
 Rep. John Delaney (D-MD) Accepted/Rep. Lou Barletta (R-PA) Invited
Energy Legislation: For Expanding Your Market
 Speaker(s): Rep. Peter Welch (D-VT)
 Senator Jean Shaheen (D-NH) Tentatively accepted
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Lunch – **A Look at 2016 Politics: The Insider's View from Washington**
 Speaker: Gloria Borger, Chief Political Analyst, CNN
- 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Capitol Hill Appointments

Additional information and Legislative Position Papers can be found at <http://www.qualityconstructionalliance.org/>



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THURSDAY, MAY 12TH

- 7:15 – 10:00 a.m. **Registration/Capitol Hill Appointments Desk Open - Marriot Georgetown Hotel**
- 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast – Marriot Georgetown Hotel**
- 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. **Answers from the Experts: Multiemployer Retirement and Health Workshop with Groom Law Group & Horizon Actuarial – Marriot Georgetown Hotel**
- Coverage on the latest developments on multiemployer health and retirement plans; opportunities to drill deeper with your everyday or more challenging questions.
- Pension Topics**
- *Withdrawal Liability: What does it really mean to contractors and the plan?*
 - *PBGC Premiums: How high, what's too high?*
 - *Plan Assumptions: How to decide -- interest rates, mortality tables, funding policies!*
 - *Plan Design: Composite Plans and other ideas!*
 - *Critical and Declining Status Plans: Your plan and MPRA?*
- Healthcare Topics**
- *ACA Reporting: To whom and when?*
 - *"Cadillac Tax": What does the delay mean?*
 - *Private exchanges: Do they make sense for your plan?*
 - *Guidance on the Fine Print: Everything but the kitchen sink!*
- 10:00 a.m. - Noon **Capitol Hill Appointments**

Click [here](#) to register for the 2016 National Issues Conference.

Questions about the National Issues Conference? Contact the SMACNA Capitol Hill Office at 202-547-8202.

SAVE THE DATE! THE 2017 NATIONAL ISSUES CONFERENCE IS TUESDAY, MAY 2ND - THURSDAY, MAY 4TH.