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The 26th Annual RMASIU

SEMINAR ON INSURANCE FRAUD

Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Ralph L Carr Building  
1300 Broadway, Denver, CO 80203

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## Seminar Schedule of Events

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| 8:30 - 8:45   | Conference Welcome - RMASIU President - Michael Whitaker   |
| 8:45 - 9:45   | <b>Keynote</b><br>Cybersecurity, Data Privacy and Fraud Investigations...Keeping the Right Balance<br>Matthew J. Smith, Esq., Executive Director of Coalition Against Insurance Fraud  |
| 9:45 - 10:00  | BREAK  |
| 10:00 - 10:50 | <b>Session One</b><br>Auto/Catalytic Converter Theft<br>Mark Hodges, Special Agent with NICB   |
| 10:50 - 11:00 | BREAK  |
| 11:00 - 11:50 | <b>Session Two</b><br>How to Put a Civil Fraud Case Together - In 50 Minutes or Less<br>Frank Goldstein, Esq. and Zasha Rodriguez, Esq. with Goldstein Law Group   |
| 11:50- 1:00   | LUNCH  |
| 1:00 - 1:50   | <b>Session Three</b><br>CO Attorney General and the National Insurance Crime Bureau Case Deconstruction: <i>People v. Tia Bond</i><br>Daniel Pietragallo, Senior Assistant Attorney General<br>Gary Clyman, Special Agent with NICB and Michael Lekic, Criminal Investigator with NICB |
| 1:50 - 2:00   | BREAK  |
| 2:00 - 2:50   | <b>Session Four</b><br>Identifying Claims Involving Street Racing<br>Tim Harrelson, Special Agent with NICB and Amy Herman, Colorado State Patrol Trooper  |
| 2:50 - 3:00   | BREAK  |
| 3:00 - 3:50   | <b>Session Five</b><br>Business Email Compromise & Business ID Theft<br>Ralph Gagliardi, Agent In Charge, CBI  |
| 3:50 - 5:00   | <b>Door Prizes - Happy Hour</b>  |

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## KEYNOTE

### [Cybersecurity, Data Privacy and Fraud Investigations...Keeping the Right Balance](#)

Matthew Jon Smith, Esq. - Executive Director of Coalition Against Insurance Fraud

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## SESSION ONE

### [Auto/Catalytic Converter Fraud](#)

Tim Harrelson, Special Agent with NICB

This class will discuss ongoing automotive theft trends and circumstances as well as trends related to catalytic converter theft. This course will also cover how and why auto theft is happening now as compared to the 1990s.

## SESSION TWO

### [How to Put a Civil Fraud Case Together - In 50 Minutes or Less](#)

Frank S. Goldstein, Esq. and Zasha Rodriguez, Esq. with Goldstein Law Group - Ft. Lauderdale, FL

This class will center around what evidence, documents and information an insurer needs in order to put together a civil fraud case against an organized crime ring. We will also discuss the pitfalls to avoid during an investigation, that often leads to the demise of an otherwise successful investigation. Finally, we will talk about the potential causes of action the insurer may allege in their ultimate Complaint.

## SESSION THREE

### [Colorado Attorney General and the National Insurance Crime Bureau Case Deconstruction: \*People v, Tia Bond\*](#)

Daniel Pietragallo, Senior Assistant Attorney General - State of Colorado

Gary Clyman, Special Agent with NICB

Michael Lekic, Criminal Investigator with NICB

Senior Assistant Attorney General Daniel Pietragallo, Special Agent Gary Clyman, and Criminal Investigator Michael Lekic will detail the investigation and subsequent prosecution of Tia Bond which involved a complex insurance fraud scheme out of Arapahoe County, Colorado where the Defendant claimed a loss over \$1 million dollars based on a forged document. The Defendant was a Navy reservist who claimed that she was removed from the military due to injuries suffered in a car accident and was attempting to collect purported lost pension benefits. In support of her claim, she hired a civil attorney and submitted the forged document through counsel as an attachment to multiple demand letters. The presentation will discuss the investigation involving both an attentive claims adjuster and SIU. From there, an overview of the National Insurance Crime Bureau and the Colorado Attorney General's investigation which involved subpoenaing the Defendant's client file and compelling testimony from the Defendant's civil attorney that submitted the demand letters. This presentation will include a summary of the crime-fraud exception, which allows prosecutors to obtain otherwise privileged information from the Defendant's attorney. Finally, the presentation will include an overview of the litigation phase of the trial, which included issuing a search warrant to obtain evidence in the possession of Ms. Bond's criminal attorney.

## SESSION FOUR

### [Identifying Claims Involving Street Racing](#)

Tim Harrelson, Special Agent with NICB and Amy Herman, Colorado State Patrol Trooper

This presentation will assist SIU investigators and claim handlers in identifying claims involving street racing and related issues. It will outline the problem of street racing in Colorado and provide information regarding the street racing culture. It will focus on what indicators may be present in a claim to suggest the claim may have involved street racing as well as what to look for to determine if the claimant or insured may be involved in street racing.

## SESSION FIVE

### [Business ID Theft & Business Email Compromise](#)

Ralph Gagliardi, Agent In Charge with CBI

Businesses and their food name - What's in a name? Money!

How crooks are stealing your money. An overview of methods and tactics of fraudsters compromising businesses, their good name and exploiting business practices for financial gain. How to recognize, prevent and mitigate as well as a review of current Colorado losses as investigated by the CBI.

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