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Education

Syracuse University College of Law | J.D., 2006
University of Michigan | B.A., 2000

Bar & Court Admissions

New York

Bar & Court Licenses

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Kelly C. O'Connor has nearly fifteen years of experience representing clients before the New York State Workers' Compensation Board, deposing medical professionals and other experts, and advising on all aspect of the Workers' Compensation Law – including issues specific to the construction industry. She also has extensive experience in assisting clients to address medication costs and exposure connected to prescription medications and the implementation of the NYS WCB 2014 Non-Acute Pain Management Guidelines and NYS WCB Formulary. Additionally, Kelly is OSHA 30 certified and counsels employers on Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) compliance.

Kelly has presented webinars on various aspects of the NYS Workers' Compensation Law to include minimizing the risk of workplace accident and related litigation, addressing permanency in NYS Workers' Compensation Law, navigating the NYS Formulary, mitigating Workers' Compensation claims in the COVID-19 pandemic and OSHA related topics. Kelly has been a contributing author to multiple publications including: "Construction Sites Personal Injury Litigation – New York Labor Law Sections 200, 240(1) and 241(6)," "New York State Bar Association, 2020 (OSHA Chapter); Co-Author "OSHA and the Roofing Industry: Fall Protection," Modern Contractor Solutions, August 2019; Co-Author, "With Friends Like These: An Assessment of New York State Workers' Compensation Reform" USLAW Magazine, Spring/Summer 2018. Most recently, she was quoted in the SHRM Online Article "OSHA Calls on Employers to Protect Workers from COVID-19" that was published on September 2, 2021.

In addition to her practice, Kelly serves her community as a member of the Town of Dewitt Zoning Board of Appeals.

Practice Areas

- Workers' Compensation

Honors

- Upstate New York *Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2016