

# - 80th Annual Meeting

Westin Tabor Center
Denver, CO
June 28-30, 2009

Preliminary Program



# **Schedule Overview ~ Activities ~ Transportation**

Westin Check-in	3:00 pm	
Evening Rafting Event	4:00 pm-	8:30pm
Sunday, June 28, 2009		
Executive Committee Meeting	8:00 am-	11:00 am
Optional Activities	10:00 am-	3:00 pm
Registration & Information	1:00 pm-	5:00 pm
Hotel Check-in	3:00 pm	
Education Program	2:15 pm-	5:00 pm
Welcome Reception	5:30 pm-	7:30 pm
Monday, June 29, 2009		
Continental Breakfast	7:00 am-	9:00am
Registration & Information	7:00 am-	4:00 pn
General Business Session I	8:00 am-	8:15 an
Education Program	8:15 am-	10:45 an
Spouses/Family Welcome	9:00 am-	9:30 an
Optional Activities		
Morning Break	10:45 am-	11:00 an
Education Program cont'd	11:00 am-	12:30 pn
Luncheon	12:30 pm-	2:00 pn
Education Program cont'd	2:00 pm-	3:00 pm
Afternoon Break	3:00 pm-	3:15 pn
Education Program cont'd	3:15 pm-	5:15 pm
Cocktail Reception	6:00 pm-	7:00 pm
80 <sup>th</sup> Awards Dinner Celebration	7:00 pm-	10:00 pm
Tuesday, June 30, 2009		
Continental Breakfast	7:00 am-	9:00 an
Registration & Information	8:00 am-	10:30 an
General Business Session II	8:00 am-	8:05 an
Education Program	8:05 am-	9:05 an
Morning Break	9:05 am-	9:20 an
Education Program cont'd	9:20 am-	10:35 an
Adjournment of	10:35 am	
80 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting		

<sup>\*</sup> Optional Check-in ~ ATLP Room Block rates available.



## **Activities**

There is so much to do in such little amount of time:

- Take a day trip to Rocky Mountain National Park
- Visit the Red Rocks Ampitheater and maybe take in a Summer Concert
- The Denver Art Museum has a Psychedelic Art of the 1960's exhibit
- Elitch Gardens Theme Park is great for the "Kid" in all of us!
- Take a of tour of the Coors Brewery
- There's a SPA adjacent to the Westin!
- Dining, Shopping, Site-seeing are all outside the Westin's front door!

## **Transportation**

# **Directions From Denver International Airport**

Exit the airport on Peña Boulevard and head south to Interstate 70 West. From I-70 West, take Interstate 25 South to the Speer Boulevard Exit (#212A). Continue on Speer to Lawrence and turn left. The hotel is on the right side of Lawrence.

The Westin Tabor Center provides transportation to and from the Airport via *Super Shuttle*. The fee is \$21 per person each way. Contact he Hotel to make arrangements:

(303) 572-9100.

## **Westin Tabor Center**

Please make your Hotel Reservations by May 26th

Reservations: 888-627-8435

ATLP has negotiated a room rate of \$189 per night.

Proud to be a four-diamond hotel, The Westin Tabor Center, Denver is centrally located in downtown Denver. Adjacent to the 16th Street Mall and within walking distance of various convention and performing arts centers, the city of Denver is just out our front door. Catch a game at Coors Field or explore local shops and restaurants.

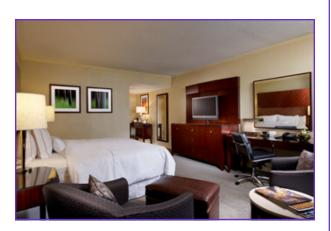
Reinvigorate your mind, body, and soul during your stay with us. Swim in our mile-high rooftop heated pool and enjoy breathtaking views of the Denver skyline, or try out our WestinWORKOUT® Gym. With a variety of cardiovascular machines, free weights, and a half-basketball court, you can stick to your routine while away from home.

We invite you to join us for Unwind...A Westin Evening RitualSM in V's lounge Monday - Friday, 5pm - 7pm. Take a moment to reenergize each night with enticing specialties which will tempt your palate amidst a relaxed atmosphere, ideal for sitting back and sipping on a trendy cocktail.

Spring 2004 marked the completion of an \$8 million renovation of all guest rooms and guest floors. A color scheme drawn from nature and a sophisticated use of textures and materials provide a soothing atmosphere. Our 400-square foot guest rooms are among the largest available in the city and feature the Heavenly Bed® and Heavenly Bath®.







## Meeting the Challenges and Realizing the Opportunities of Change:

In 2009, the transportation industry will face the most challenging financial environment since the Great Depression, along with one of the most significant changes in the political landscape in decades. This rapidly changing environment has created both challenges and opportunities for this industry – our conference will provide a forum for the ATLP membership to learn about and explore the issues.

#### Sunday, June 28, 2009:

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Registration & Information

2:15 pm - 2:30 pm: Welcome

2:30 pm - 4:00 pm:

## **Legislative & Regulatory Overview on Transportation and the Environment:**

The various modes of transportation have significant impacts on the environment and, as a result, there have been worldwide government efforts to change industry practices. This panel will address legislative and regulatory climate change initiatives directed at the transportation sector. The Panel will consider whether the goals set by these initiatives are achievable and the burden that they place on the industry.

Moderator: Anthony U. Battista, Condon & Forsyth LLP, New York, NY

Presenters:

Karyn A. Booth, *Thompson Hine LLP, Washington, DC*Jeremy Mattson, *Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute, Fargo, ND*John E. Putnam, *Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP, Denver, CO*Marshall S. Turner, *Condon & Forsyth LLP, New York, NY* 

#### 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm:

#### Representing the Transportation Company; Ethical issues in conducting investigations:

Whether investigating an accident or employment claim, or conducting an internal investigation for compliance purposes, counsel for transportation companies are regularly called upon to interview current and former employees. These investigations can create an ethical minefield for counsel to navigate. Our presenter, a frequent lecturer on legal ethics and compliance issues, will provide some tips and advice on the ethical rules surrounding these investigations, as well as provide answers to some of the pressing ethical issues facing transportation practitioners.

Presenter:

Frederick Martinez, Hall & Evans, LLC, Denver, CO

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm: Welcome Reception (rooftop poolside)

#### Monday, June 29, 2009:

7:00 am – 9:00 am:
7:00 am – 4:00 pm:
8:00 am – 8:15 am:
Continental Breakfast
Registration & Information
General Business Session I

#### 8:15 am - 9:15 am:

The Changing Financial Environment and its impact on Transportation Companies: The financial crisis has significantly increased the number of bankruptcy and insolvency issues faced by transportation companies. In addition, the credit crunch has made it more difficult for transportation providers in the US and Canada to finance the significant capital improvements required to operate their businesses. This panel will discuss bankruptcy issues in the US and insolvency issues in Canada, and the risks to transportation service providers in shipper insolvencies. In addition, this panel will discuss the impact of the tightened credit markets on the availability of capital to transportation providers.

Moderator: Cindy Bergmann, Freeborn & Peters LLP, Chicago, IL

Presenters:

Aaron Hammer, Freeborn & Peters LLP, Chicago, IL

Steven Weisz, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP, Toronto, ON

David Nahass, Railroad Financial, Chicago, IL (invited)

#### 9:15 am - 10:45 am

Facing the Challenges of Changes in Safety and Security Regulation: Protecting our rails and ports against terrorism and improving the safety of our freight transportation system continue to be a major focus of the Industry, Congress, and the Executive Branch. This Panel will address the likely impact of the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008, the "10 + 2" maritime regulations; port security regulations; and regulatory issues related to hazmat transportation, particularly the transportation of TIH.

Moderator: Michael F. McBride, Van Ness Feldman, Washington, DC

Presenters:

Earl Agron, Vice President of Security, American President Lines, Oakland, CA

Katie Matison, Lane Powell PC, Seattle, WA

Mick Dragash, Wal-Mart, Bentonville, AK

Thomas Schick, American Chemistry Council, Arlington, VA

10:45 am - 11:00 am Break

#### 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Change Your Preemptive Ways! Preemption has long been one of primary tools used carriers regulated at the federal level to ward off regulation at the state and local level. Has it been used too often or in the wrong situations? This panel will address recent legislation that seeks to cut back on preemption, and discuss how preemption continues to be used today.

Moderator: Eric M. Hocky, Thorp Reed & Armstrong, LLP, Philadelphia, PA

Presenters:

Michael J. Barron, Jr., Fletcher & Sippel LLC, Chicago, IL

Allison Fultz, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell, Washington, DC

David Coburn, Steptoe & Johnson LLP, Washington, DC

Dana Henderson, Betts, Patterson & Mines, P.S., Seattle, WA

Mary Wells, Wells, Anderson and Race, LLC, Denver, CO

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm: Luncheon

**Keynote Address**: Steven Chealander, *former NTSB Board Member*, Vice President, Technical Training,

AIRBUS, Miami, FL

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Who's Track Are We On, Anyway? When oil topped \$4 a gallon, this country changed its commuting habit. More people rode commuter rail than ever before. The uncertainty of oil prices, among other factors, is likely to keep demand high. This Panel will examine efforts by communities to fast track a response to the increased demand. It will also examine the tension between freight and commuter rail, which often have to share the same track, and will examine the issues that typically arise in a negotiation between freight carriers and commuter transportation authorities.

Moderator: Charles A. Spitulnik, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell, Washington, DC

Presenters:

Marla Lien, Regional Transportation District, Denver, CO

David Rankin, BNSF Railway, Fort Worth, TX

3:00 pm - 3:15 pm Break

#### 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

#### Labor/Management Issues in a Changing Financial and Regulatory Environment:

The Obama Administration has signaled a marked departure from the prior administration's approach to labor & management issues. This panel will discuss the how the changes are likely to impact the transportation industry. The panel will also address the impact of the recent changes to the Americans with Disabilities Act, as well as the proposed Employee Free Choice Act and changes in the OSHA regulations, particularly as they relate to transportation companies. Lastly, our panelists will give us insight into the current state of labor/management relationship and highlight the more challenging issues they are addressing in this difficult financial climate.

Moderator: Robert Fried, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, Pleasanton, CA Presenters:

Robert Hawkins, Buchanan, Ingersoll & Rooney, New York, NY

#### 4:15 pm - 5:15 pm

**Litigating a Transportation Accident Claim**. This panel will give insight from their perspectives on how to defend suits rising from transportation accidents from the investigation to the courtroom.

Moderator: Michael Barron, Fletcher & Sippel, LLC, Chicago, IL

Presenters:

Colleen Konicek, Fletcher & Sippel, LLC, Chicago, IL (rail)

Owen Ellington, Ellington & Associates, Houston, TX (motor carrier)

Gregory A. Feith, former NTSB investigator, Gregory A, Feith LLC, Denver, CO (air)

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Reception

7:00 pm – 10:00 pm 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Dinner—*Diamonds in the Rough!* 

#### Tuesday, June 30, 2009

7:00 am – 9:00 am Continental Breakfast
8:00 am – 10:00 am Registration & Information
8:00 am – 8:05 am General Business Session II

#### 8:05 am - 9:05 am

**Legislative Update** – Between the new Administration, the new Congress, and the economic downturn, change is definitely here. This panel will explore what that change is likely to mean for legislation that impacts the transportation sector at a Federal and State level. In particular, the Panel will discuss the prospects for economic reregulation, infrastructure spending, labor, and environmental legislative initiatives.

Moderator: Linda J. Morgan, Covington & Burling LLP, Washington, DC

Presenters:

Russ George, Director of Co DOT, former cabinet member of the CO Legislature (invited)

Greg Fulton, Executive Director, CO Motor Carrier Association (invited)

Representative of the Federal Government

Rail Relations Representative

9:05 am - 9:20 am Break

9:20 am - 10:35 am

**Modal Updates:** Back by popular demand, the contributing editors of the Association Highlights newsletter will present on the current happenings of their respective modes.

Moderator: TBD Presenters:

Anthony U. Battista, Condon & Forsyth LLP, New York, NY (Aviation)

Robert M. Spira, Benesch, Cleveland, OH (Motor)

Brooke Gaede, Steptoe & Johnson, LLP, Washington, DC (Rail)

Charles A. Spitulnik, Kaplan Kirsch & Rockwell LLP, Washington, DC (Commuter Rail)

Maritime presenter invited.

10:35 am Adjournment

## **Optional Activities**

\* Options and Activities require an additional fee. These are not included in your Registration fee.

#### Saturday, June 27, 2009

Rafting Adventure:\* Rafting on Clear Creek River's mountain water is an experience that's fun for the whole family. Get ready for some fun on our exciting 'Sure Shot' beginner-rafting trip. Begin with passing by the historic Charlie Taylor Water Wheel experiencing Class II rapids (ripples). While rafting through Historic Idaho Springs the Class III rapids of Castle Falls and Argo Holes test your newly developed rafting skills. Below town history and nature abound, with the occasional sighting of Retail Hawk, Deer, Fox, Bob Cat, Lynx, Elk, and Big Horn Sheep. Dizzy Lizzy, Power Line, Mountain Lion, and Box prepare us for the grand finale of Mr. Twister! The perfect beginner—starting with Class II water so you can practice, and then the Class III rapids. There is a 50 pound minimum for rafting to insure proper fit of the life jacket. Allow 3 hours for the trip.





#### Sunday, June 28, 2009

#### Options:\*

- Coors Brewery Tour, Golden Colorado (www.coors.com)
- Denver Art Museum: The Psychedelic Expreience (www.denverartmuseum.org)
- Banjo Billy's humorous bus tour (www.banjobilly.com)
- Front Range Wine Trail-Denver Region (www.coloradowine.com)
- Tea at the Brown Palace Hotel (www.brownpalace.com)

Evening Welcome Reception: rooftop poolside at the Westin. Casual attire.

#### Monday, June 29, 2009

#### Spouses/Guests and Family Activities options include:\*

- Coors Brewery Tour
- Shopping & Lunch at Bistro Vendome (www.bistrovendome.com)
- Banjo Billy's humorous bus tour
- Golf



80th Annual Awards Reception & Dinner: Join us as we salute our successes in 2008! Cocktail attire.

#### **Tuesday, June 30, 2009**

**Golf**: Please contact ATLP Headquarters if you would like to be added to the roster of players. Tee times will begin after 1:00pm. Individual transportation.

Arrowhead Golf Course, Littleton Colorado: www.arrowheadcolorado.com



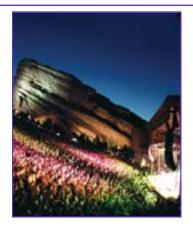
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Deadline: May 29, 2009



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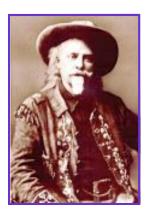
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When we welcome the registrants to the poolside welcome reception exclusive signage is provided with your company logo, along with the recognition of support of Your Association!

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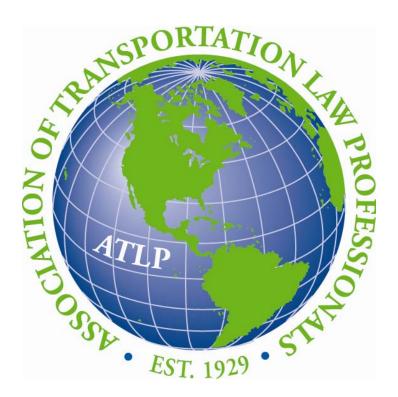
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When we welcome the registrants to the Awards Reception & Dinner, exclusive signage is provided with your company logo, along with the recognition of support of Your Association!



Annual Meeting Sponsorship Deadline: May 29, 2009

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