



## DEFENDING MEDICAL MONITORING CLAIMS— *Recent Developments and Best Practices*

*Presented by DRI's Product Liability Committee Mass Torts and Class Actions SLG*

This webinar is designed to help attorneys representing companies in the pharmaceutical, medical device, chemical, and consumer product industries understand what to expect when facing a claim for medical monitoring. In addition to a discussion of important developments and trends in medical monitoring law—including recent cases and an update on the ALI Restatement section related to monitoring—this course will explore some critical actions that clients and their counsel can take to maximize their chances of defeating class certification and prevailing on the merits of medical monitoring claims at trial.

### Who Should Attend

- Product liability litigators, especially those who defend pharmaceutical, medical device, and consumer product sellers
- Toxic tort litigators, especially those representing chemical companies
- In-house counsel for companies in such industries
- Class action litigators

### What You Will Learn

- How to effectively assist your clients in defeating putative medical monitoring class actions
- How to combat medical monitoring claims at trial
- New developments in recognition or rejection of medical monitoring claims
- New developments in application of medical monitoring to the pharmaceutical context

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