

Personal Injury

Thursday 17 August 2023

Session 5 – 2.45pm – 3.45pm

Reconsideration rights and MAC appeals in the Personal Injury Commission

This discussion will address the latest developments in the workers compensation legislation and the case law surrounding the power of reconsideration with respect to challenging a medical assessment certificate (MAC). The discussion will address section 57(1) of the *Personal Injury Commission Act 2020* (NSW), and procedural issues surrounding the appropriateness of seeking a reconsideration. The discussion will address Medical Appeals pursuant to section 327 of the 1998 Act, particularly under section s327(3)(a) (deterioration of a worker's condition). This will include review of relevant PIC Member and Presidential decisions, together with an overview of the Court of Appeal decision of *Sleinman v Gadalla Pty Ltd* [2021] NSWCA 236.

Meet the speaker

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Jennifer Gair is a leading expert in all aspects of workers' compensation, and is the Managing Partner of Gair Legal, a progressive, innovative and highly specialised insurance litigation law firm with offices in Chatswood, Northern Beaches and Newcastle. She has been an Accredited Specialist in Personal Injury Law since 2000 and is an expert in litigation, mediation, effective dispute resolution and negotiation. Jennifer has won multiple awards including Doyle's Leading Workers Compensation Lawyer 2022 and Australasian 5 Star Personal Injury Lawyer 2022. Jennifer has acted in numerous matters before the Supreme Court and the NSW Court of Appeal. Jennifer manages positive and practical outcomes in common law, recovery and workers' compensation claims. She is the lawyer of choice to handle high profile and politically sensitive claims on behalf of large businesses and government agencies.