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2022**

*“A forum for the exchange of information and ideas relating to claims law.”*



# NEWS!

## Society Board of Trustee Nominations



The Society of Claim Law Associates (Society) is governed by a Board of Trustees consisting of seven members. Of these seven Trustees, one Trustee is appointed by the President of American Educational Institute (AEI) and one is the Immediate Past President of the Society. These two Trustees are not elected. The Executive Director of the Society is a non-voting member of the Board of Trustees, also appointed by the President of AEI and serves as Board Secretary. The remaining four Trustees must be elected by the general membership for a two-year term that begins January 2023 and ends January 2025. Once elected, the Trustees choose from among themselves who shall serve as national President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Administration, and Treasurer.

All nominees must have achieved the Senior Claim Law Associate (SCLA) designation by the nomination deadline, November 4th, to be eligible. To self-nominate or nominate a colleague, please complete the online application using the link below. The application will ask you to simply express your or the nominee's interest in serving, and provide a brief career history including your or the nominee's present employment (company and position), professional designations (e.g., SCLA), and all appropriate contact information. The application period closes on Friday, November 4, 2022 at 5p.m. (EST).

The Nominations Committee will then evaluate all interested candidates and make its recommendations for the slate of candidates to be voted on in December. For additional information contact: [SCLA@aeiclaimslaw.com](mailto:SCLA@aeiclaimslaw.com).

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***Complete the Board Nomination Today!***  
**Click [here](#)**

## Claims Education Conference Speaker Sponsors!

Some of the best experts in claims law spoke at the Claims Education Conference in May. We greatly appreciate all of their hard work and continued support and encourage you to learn more about their expertise by clicking on the biography links below for their services and offerings.

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**FUTURE**

Next newsletter  
will be Winter  
2022. More info  
on Distinguished  
SCLA Award  
Application &  
Annual  
Conference!

## 2023 Distinguished SCLA Award Nominations. Apply Today!

Apply today to be the 2023 Distinguished SCLA Designee Award Recipient. This award is presented to a new SCLA designee for their demonstrated commitment to professionalism and outstanding service to the insurance industry. Anyone who has or will have achieved their SCLA designation between February 5, 2021 and February 5, 2023 is eligible (Note: SCLA designation must be successfully completed by February 5, 2023, but an application can be submitted before). The award recipient will address their fellow designees during the Conferment Ceremony at the 2023 Claims Education Conference (May 2-5, 2023) in New Orleans.

Click [here](#) for application

# AEI Designees Honored At Claims Education Conference

*Over 140 attended the Claims Education Conference in New Orleans*

AEI designees were in New Orleans from May 10-13 for the Annual Claims Education Conference. The 4-day conference provided a blend of both claims law and soft skills training. Claims professionals who between January 1, 2019 and April 10, 2022 earned an AEI designation were recognized at the Designation Conferment Ceremony on Wednesday, May 11th.

During the ceremony we also honored 2021 Distinguished SCLA Award Winner, Shawn Phillips, SCLA Silver. Shawn is the Assistant Vice President and founding Director of the Special Investigations - Major Case Unit with Allied Universal Compliance and Investigations and he spoke to the group about his experience with his AEI coursework.

*“Utilizing the knowledge I gained from my AEI coursework, combined with over 25 years of investigative experience, I have formulated an analytical intelligence-driven focus to insurance investigations. I utilize a unique blend of investigative education and experience rooted in forensic science for seeking the truth and providing evidence-based answers to assist vendor partners, insureds and claimants. My AEI education has assisted me in building a team that consistently delivers results by identifying fraudulent claims and protecting insurers and insureds from the impact of millions of dollars of loss annually,”* according to Shawn.



*Shawn Phillips, SCLA Silver our 2021 Distinguished SCLA Award Winner with his manager, Todd Davis, VP SIU Operations at Allied Universal.*



*Shawn Phillips, SCLA Silver celebrating his award with his wonderful family; wife Heather & daughter Peyton.*

Shawn earned his SCLA Silver and is also a Certified Fraud Examiner, Certified Insurance Fraud Investigator, Certified Financial Crimes Investigator, Certified Economic Crimes Forensic Examiner, Certified Fire Investigator with Motor Vehicle endorsement, and Certified International Post-Blast Investigator. Currently, he is a board member for the Mid-South Chapter of the Association of Fraud Examiners. He lectures nationally/internationally in complex financial fraud schemes, fire/explosion forensic analysis, arson for profit schemes, and medicolegal death investigations.

The Society of Claim Law Associates would like to congratulate Shawn again on his accomplishment and recognize all of the hard work and dedication to all of the designees honored at the 2022 Designation Conferment. Your commitment to claims law education is second to none.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**2023 [Claims Education Conference](#) / New Orleans / May 2-5, 2023**

**Use code “[AEI20](#)” when registering to receive 20% off registration fees**



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## Refer a Friend to AEI!

You know firsthand the quality of AEI programs and how claims professionals benefit from coursework. This is why we created the AEI Refer a Friend program to help streamline the referral process and reward our designees who help to spread the word about our programs.

If you know someone interested in coursework, please click the link below for the referral form. The Marketing Department will then contact the person you refer with more information and mention you referred them. Click [here](#) for referral form & more information.

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## For your information...

- Are your annual Society dues up to date? Yearly dues are \$70. Click [here](#) for more information.
- Customized frames are available for your SCLA certificate. To order your frame, click [here](#).
- SCLA designees can earn the SCLA Silver Award by completing a fifth program and the SCLA Gold Award by completing a sixth program. There is a \$100 discount on the full tuition for any program taken beyond the SCLA.
- Counselors are available to assist students as they progress through their programs. If students have questions or are looking for help in understanding the materials, our counselors are available by phone (toll-free 1-800-631-8183) Monday through Friday.
- If significant time has gone by and you have not completed your coursework, please call our office at 800-631-8183 and ask to speak about the “Reinstatement Process.” For a small fee you can return to your coursework and complete your designation.
- The Claims Law Guide includes relevant claims law information for each state and the District of Columbia. The Guide is revised annually by the professional staff of American Educational Institute and is only accessible to dues paid SCLA members.