Margaret Wenke Speaking at the PBI Seminar on UM/UIM Insurance Coverage Issues

Margaret Wenke, a partner in Connor Weber & Oberlies' Insurance Practice, will participate as a speaker at the Pennsylvania Bar Institute's "UM/UIM Seminar" on November 12, 2010 from 12:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. This course provides a primer on understanding uninsured (UM) and underinsured (UIM) motorist coverage in insurance policies in Pennsylvania and helps attorneys identify whether a case has the potential for a significant recovery or not.

The seminar will address questions that arise when dealing with UM/UIM issues, including:

- Under what policies could my client turn for UM/UIM coverage?
- How do I settle with the tortfeasor for the limits of his policy without jeopardizing my UIM claim?
- What sort of "offsets" apply to the UM/UIM coverages?
- What is the order of policy coverages and what do I need to know about subrogation?
- What types of damages are covered by UM/UIM coverage?
- If I need to arbitrate the UM/UIM claim against my client's own carrier – what should I know?
- Is there an "art" to settling UM/UIM claims?
- What are the statutes of limitation periods that apply to claims for UM/UIM benefits?
- Could I have a "bad faith" claim if my client's insurance company won't pay UM/UIM benefits?
- Are these benefits available to persons other than the driver of a vehicle?
- Can UM/UIM benefits be "stacked"?

The seminar will be held in the CLE Conference Center, Wanamaker Bldg., 10th Floor, Ste. 1010, Philadelphia, PA, and simulcast in numerous locations throughout Pennsylvania. To learn more about this seminar, or to register to attend, please click here. **[add a live link to the PBI web page].**

Ms. Wenke is the managing partner of Connor, Weber & Oberlies. Her litigation experience includes products liability, toxic tort, insurance coverage, personal injury, and automobile negligence including uninsured/underinsured motorist litigation. She has litigated more than 300 uninsured/underinsured motorist cases. In addition, she serves as defense arbitrator for various carriers. She has extensive knowledge of coverage issues and statutory analysis.