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2nd Annual Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC – October 15-16, 2019

Register today for the [2nd Annual Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC](#) on October 15-16, 2019.



What is the Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC?

The [Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC](#) is an annual event in our nation's Capital. The Inaugural Summit last Fall welcomed more than 175 safety and legal professionals from stakeholders in the chemical, petrochemical, paper, and petroleum refining industries and other industries with operations covered by OSHA's PSM Standard and EPA's RMP Rule. The Summit focuses on the process safety regulatory landscape and industry best practices, with programming that covers rulemaking, enforcement programs, significant cases, trends as we move through the Trump Administration, best practices, and other key process safety regulatory issues impacting Industry.

The [Agenda and format for the 2nd Annual Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC](#) will include one-of-a-

kind line-up of speakers and panels of senior government officials and industry experts, as well as moderated round table sessions. The event is broken into two parts:

1. A half-day of confidential breakout sessions with Industry stakeholders and a networking cocktail reception on October 15th; followed by
2. A full-day of panels and speakers from OSHA, EPA, the OSH Review Commission, Former Heads of OSHA, the CSB, and others on October 16th.

This Summit fills an important gap for employers operating the process safety regulatory environment. Although there are opportunities for employers to interact with key government regulators in DC, none of those opportunities focus exclusively on process safety, and every other true process safety event around the country is too far from Washington, DC to attract any, or more than one senior agency official to participate.

If you were not able to join us last year for the Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC, here is an article outlining the [key takeaways from the Inaugural event.](#)

What is the [Agenda](#) for the 2019 Process Safety Summit in Washington, DC?

DAY 1 AGENDA – OCTOBER 15, 2019 FACILITATED DISCUSSIONS		DAY 2 AGENDA – OCTOBER 16, 2019 GOVERNMENT PANELS	
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	Registration Skidley Austin LLP, 1501 K Street, NW, Concourse Level, Washington, DC 20005	8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	Registration - Hamilton Hotel, 1001 14th St NW, Washington, DC 20005
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	Welcome Remarks • Eric J. Conn, Conn Maciel Carey LLP – OSHA Practice Group Chair • Tim Webster, Skidley Austin LLP – Partner, Environmental Group	8:30 AM – 8:40 AM	Welcome Remarks • Eric J. Conn, Conn Maciel Carey LLP – OSHA Practice Group Chair • Tim Webster, Skidley Austin LLP – Partner, Environmental Group
2:15 PM – 3:10 PM	RMP Rulemaking and Enforcement, and Hydrofluoric Acid Issues • Co-Facilitated by Tim Webster and Justin Savage of Skidley Austin LLP • Focus on compliance strategies related to developments with the RMP regulation and enforcement priorities, including the RMP Assessments, as well as developments related to hydrofluoric acid use at facilities.	8:40 AM – 9:55 AM	OSHA Panel – PSM Nat'l Emphasis Program, Rulemaking, Cases, Interpretations • Jeff Wanko, Director, OSHA Office of Chemical Process Safety & Enforcement • Lisa Long, Director, OSHA Office of Engineering Safety • Mike Marshall, PSM Coordinator, OSHA Directorate of Enforcement Programs • Pete Vassallo, Senior OSH/PSM Attorney, Office of the Solicitor of Labor • Co-Moderators: Mitch Smith, OSHA Partner at Conn Maciel Carey, and Bill Clark, Process Safety Manager at Phillips 66
3:10 PM – 3:25 PM	Coffee and Networking Break	9:55 AM – 10:40 AM	OSH Review Commission Discussion - Developments at OSHRC and Recent Decisions • Jim Sullivan, Chairman, Occupational Safety & Health Review Commission • Moderator: Vic Pyle, Senior Counsel for ENS Law, ExxonMobil Corporation
3:25 PM – 4:20 PM	OSHA's ChemRef PSM National Emphasis Program • Co-Facilitated by Eric J. Conn, OSHA Practice Chair at Conn Maciel Carey LLP, and Kaleb Brunkamp, In-House ENS Attorney at Marathon Petroleum • OSHA merged the Refinery PSM NEP and Chemical Facilities PSM NEP into a new ChemRef PSM NEP, which launched in 2018. This session will review data and trends from the first full year of the NEP inspections, lessons learned from completed inspections, and how employers are preparing for and managing the NEP inspections.	10:40 AM – 11:00 AM	Networking Coffee Break
4:20 PM – 4:35 PM	Coffee and Networking Break	11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	EPA Panel – RMP Rulemaking and Enforcement, HF Issues • Steven Gask, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Land & Emergency Management • Moderator: Tim Webster, Skidley Austin LLP, Partner, Environmental Group
4:35 PM – 5:30 PM	Expanding PSM Coverage, Compliance Audits, and Use of RAGAGEP • Co-Facilitated by Mitch Smith, OSHA Partner at Conn Maciel Carey LLP, and Bill Clark, Phillips 66, Process Safety Manager • Recent PSM-related OSHRC decisions, PSM and RMP rulemakings, and PSM interpretations have shifted the process safety landscape. This session will review how industry has responded to minimize risk and enhance process safety. Topics include defining process boundaries in the wake of OSHRC's decision in the Wynewood case, performing three-year PSM compliance audits in the wake of the RMP Assessments, and sharing experiences regarding how to utilize RAGAGEP.	12:00 PM – 12:15 PM	Networking Coffee Break
5:30 PM – 7:15 PM	Welcome Cocktail Reception	12:15 PM – 2:40 PM	Lunch and Keynote Panel Keynote Panel: Conversation with Four Former Senior OSHA Officials - OSHA's priorities and philosophies across administrations, and evolution of PSM • John Henshaw, Assistant Secretary for George W. Bush (2001 - 2004) • Jordan Barak, Assistant & Dep. Assistant Sec'y for Barack Obama (2009 - 2017) • Jon Sauer, Acting Assistant Sec'y & Acting Solicitor of Labor for George W. Bush • Rich Fairfax, Deputy Assistant Sec'y & Director of Enforcement (1998 - 2013) • Moderator: Eric J. Conn, Chair of Conn Maciel Carey's national OSHA Practice
		2:40 PM – 3:00 PM	Networking Coffee Break
		3:00 PM – 3:50 PM	CSB Panel – Investigations, Recommendations, and Reporting Rulemaking • Wills Hongland, Lead Investigator • Tanasa Qureshi, Associate General Counsel • Moderator: David Loshkar, OSHA Associate at Conn Maciel Carey LLP
		3:50 PM – 4:00 PM	Closing Remarks

Who should attend?

- PSM/Safety Managers
 - In-house and Outside Safety and Health Attorneys
 - C-Suite
 - Regulatory Affairs Specialists
 - Operations Managers
 - Process Safety Consultants and Experts
 - Trade Association Staff
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What are the Objectives of the Summit?

- Education on process safety regulatory and enforcement developments and trend
 - Identification of innovative approaches to process safety and compliance
 - Elevation of awareness about process safety to employers and trade groups
 - Relationship-building between Industry and its process safety regulators
 - Knowledge-sharing and benchmarking among similarly situated employers
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Where is the Process Safety Summit being held?

- The General Session on October 16th will be held at the Hamilton Hotel, in downtown Washington, DC near the White House, at 1001 14th Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20005.
 - The half-day of facilitated discussions and the welcome reception on October 15th will be held around the corner at the Washington, DC offices of Sidley Austin LLP, at 1501 K St NW, Washington, DC 20005.
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