

**RESOLUTION OF THE WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF  
WORKER'S COMPENSATION ATTORNEYS REGARDING  
AMENDMENTS TO THE WISCONSIN WORKER'S COMPENSATION ACT  
PROPOSED IN THE 2015 STATE BUDGET BILL**

The Wisconsin Association of Worker's Compensation Attorneys implores the governor and legislature to remove those provisions of the 2015 budget bill that amend the Wisconsin Worker's Compensation Act and refer those proposals to the Worker's Compensation Advisory Council for consideration as part of its regular negotiations to an agreed bill.

## WAWCA Telephone Conference 1/16/2015

Call to order at 10:03 a.m.

### Attendance

Peter Silver  
Melissa Kirschner  
ALJ Tom Landowski  
ALJ Ryan O'Connor  
Charlie Domer  
Brian Baird  
Chelsie Springstead  
Ben Quacken Bush  
Greg Pitts  
Krysta Kennedy  
Trish Sandoz

### *~Old Business~*

12/\_ ?/14 Mttg minutes approved

### Spring Seminar 2/12/15

- Have Ipad
- All speakers set
- Current attendance: 13
- Current sponsors: 9 (Probably 10-15 total)
  - Vendors requested formal signage to be displayed
- New dues statement on website
- Need to send out mass e-mail reminder
- Reoccurring problem with people paying discounted member rate for seminar, but not paying membership dues
  - Notation will be added to registration indicated membership is 1/1-12/31
- Potential future seminar themes
  - All female
  - Young lawyers (WAWCA actually has young lawyers section)
  - Looking for co-chairs

### IRS Status

- “in limbo”=awaiting word from IRS
- Brian Anderson said 5-6 months to get confirmation from IRS and this situation is “not that big of a deal” and happens a lot with organizations
- Brian Baird’s office does tax law and believes IRS is on 2012 filings.
- Thoughts are there will be no tax liability consequences for temporary loss of 501 (c)(3) status as long as both documents (501 (c)(3) or non) are filed with past due information

## E-mail Distribution List

- Ready to be used
- Need person to administer

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## Gov. Walker's Proposal affecting DWD

- See attached e-mail
- WAWCA should use e-mail list to "advocate", but must be careful to "tread lightly"
- Can also use website to communicate information
- Atty David Weir is using Advisory Council as resource to advocate
- WAWCA's roles is to provide information, so any information provided regarding this topic should be approved by both the applicant and defense bar