

THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION CENTER (WCC)

The Workers' Compensation Center (WCC) at Michigan State University is the only university based center servicing all workers' compensation professionals. Many of its courses are national in scope but some are designed with emphasis on Michigan law.

The center also engages in research and other special projects related to workers' compensation. It can also design training programs or organize special studies to fit the needs of a specific employer.

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Steven Pollok is president and senior partner of Rapaport, Pollok, Farrell & Waldron, P.C. of Lansing, Michigan. He has specialized in practicing workers' compensation law for almost 30 years as a claimant's attorney. He has also taught workers' compensation law as an adjunct professor at Thomas Cooley Law School since 1992. Steve has lectured frequently on numerous topics involving workers' compensation issues to unions, management representatives, and attorneys. Steve has a bachelor of arts degree from Michigan State University and also a master's degree in Labor and Industrial Relations from Michigan State University. He earned his J.D. from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law in 1977.

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