

## ***So You Want to Be an Expert Witness***

In July 2009, Donald O. Johnson, J.D., LL.M., CPCU co-presented part two of a two-part webinar titled, “So You Want to Be an Expert Witness,” which was hosted by the Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters (CPCU) Society’s Consulting, Litigation, and Expert Witness Interest Group.

The seminar addressed the requirements to qualify as an expert witness, an expert witness’s duties, including the preparation of expert witness reports, the skills beyond mere qualifications necessary to be an effective expert witness, and the pre-trial and trial processes as they relate to expert witnesses. The purpose of the seminar was to introduce insurance professionals holding the CPCU designation to the requirements for becoming an effective expert witness and to expert witnesses’ real world responsibilities and challenges.