



**2026 Copic Insights & Mock Trial Symposium– Eagan, Minnesota
Thursday, September 17th & Friday, September 18th
Omni Viking Lakes - Eagan, Minnesota / Ballroom: Lodestar**

Thursday, September 17

5:30pm – 6:00pm **Registration / Dinner**

6:00pm – 9:00pm **Mock Trial**

Speakers:

Dean McConnell, Esq., Deputy General Counsel; Copic
Andrea Darling Kissner, MBA, Claims Manager; Copic

Description: This session offers an inside look at what actually happens during the courtroom proceedings of a medical liability trial. Hosted by a Copic attorney, it provides a reenactment of an actual trial that includes opening arguments, cross-examination of witnesses, and closing statements. The facts of the case are presented to participants who serve as jury members, and ultimately put forth a verdict after hearing testimony from the plaintiff, an expert witness, and the defendant.

On-screen performances by:

Defense Counsel- Stephen Hensen; Copic Attorney

Plaintiff Counsel- Kari Hershey; Copic Attorney

Defense Expert Witness (Dr. Robinson)- Dennis Boyle, MD; Copic

Defendant Physician (Dr. Cook)- Eric Zacharias, MD;

Copic Plaintiff (Jordan Pitt)- Katherine Kumlin; Copic

Plaintiff Expert Witness (Dr. Snyder)- Richard Kubista, MD; Copic



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Friday, September 18

8:00am – 9:00am **Welcome / Breakfast**

9:00 am – 10:00am **Medical Gaslighting**
Speaker: Susan Sgambati, MD, Senior Physician Risk
Manager; Copic

10:00am – 11:00am **The Challenging Jury Pool in Medical Malpractice
Litigation**
Speaker: Andrea Darling Kissner, MBA, Claims Manager;
Copic

11:15am – 11:30am **BREAK**

11:15am – 12:30pm **Navigating Common Legal Problems in Healthcare**
Speaker: Dean McConnell, Esq, Deputy General
Counsel; Copic