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## Sedgwick Institute awards inaugural senior fellowship to Richard Victor

**MEMPHIS, Tenn.**, Feb. 22, 2016 – The <u>Sedgwick Institute</u> has named workers' compensation expert Richard Victor, Ph.D., as its first senior fellow. Sedgwick established the institute earlier this month to bring together an interdisciplinary community of thought leaders dedicated to elevating the dialogue around issues affecting the risk and benefits industry.

Victor founded the Workers' Compensation Research Institute, the nation's leading public policy research organization on workers' compensation issues; he retired from the WCRI presidency earlier this year. A student of the risk and benefits industry for more than 30 years, Victor has published dozens of articles on workers' compensation and disability issues and frequently presents on these topics at conferences, meetings, legislative hearings and public official briefings.



Richard Victor, Ph.D. Sedgwick Institute senior fellow

He previously worked as an economist for the Rand Corporation in Santa Monica, California, and Washington, D.C. Victor earned a law degree and a doctorate in economics from the University of Michigan, where he was the George Humphrey Fellow in Law and Economic Policy.

As a senior fellow of the Sedgwick Institute beginning March 1, 2016, Victor will receive a grant from Sedgwick to pursue research and provide thought leadership on industry issues. Victor will draw on his extensive background in the workers' compensation arena to primarily focus on the challenges facing U.S. employers, injured workers, lawmakers and practitioners of occupational medicine.

"Rick Victor is uniquely suited to help Sedgwick and the risk and benefits community better understand and manage the challenges of our existing workers' compensation and disability systems," said Dave North, Sedgwick president and CEO. "Having a distinguished scholar of Dr. Victor's caliber as our first senior fellow sets a high bar for what we can achieve through the Sedgwick Institute."

"It is a great honor to have the opportunity to write about and speak on important workers' compensation, disability and health care issues on behalf of the Sedgwick Institute," Victor said. "Sedgwick's support of this fellowship is a testament to their leadership and commitment to improving outcomes for employers, injured workers and all industry stakeholders."

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