

Press Release



Cliff Rieders delivered a seminar in Williamsport, Pennsylvania on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 concerning autonomous vehicles.

Rieders pointed out that Pennsylvania has now passed a statute which is to take effect in July 2023 concerning autonomous vehicles. The statute addresses many questions concerning who will have the right to utilize autonomous vehicles, but it also leaves a tremendous amount of discretion to administrative agencies, and ultimately the courts.

A AAA survey in 2021 found that 54% of Americans are afraid to drive in a self-driving car, and 32% are unsure about it. Yet, it is clear that, in the very near future, “platoons”, as the law calls it, of trucks, busses and other commercial vehicles will be plying our highways controlled remotely or even by automated intelligence.

Rieders is a Board Certified trial lawyer, a *cum laude* graduate of New York University and Georgetown University Law Center. He is admitted in Pennsylvania, New York and District of Columbia, as well as numerous federal courts, including the Supreme Court of the United States. The attorney is a Life Member of the American Law Institute, which publishes commentary and proposed Rules for all 50 states. He is a Past President of the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, now Pennsylvania Association for Justice, where he has received numerous recognitions, including the Association’s *Amicus Curiae* Award.

Rieders noted in his talk that autonomous vehicles are the next frontier of development in connection with transportation in the United States.