Hail Claims . . . What The Hail™ Is Going On?

Hail has become a “hot topic” in the property insurance market, with countless new lawsuits involving hail damage being filed across the states where hail events are common. Zelle is leading the property insurance industry’s response to this emerging risk exposure, not only in working in the trenches with their clients in handling the claims and resulting lawsuits, but also in working to address the underlying issues giving rise to these claims through legislative action and policy wording changes. Click here to learn more about Zelle’s work in this area.

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