

## Corporate Counsel Organization Highlights

### Environmental Liability Addressed In NJ Institute CLE Program

On Tuesday, November 25, as part of their Fall CLEfest, the New Jersey Institute for Continuing Education is presenting a program titled Environmental Risks & Business Solutions. The seminar will run from 1:30 until 4:30 p.m. at the Woodbridge Hotel and Conference Center, in Iselin, New Jersey.

When property is used for business purposes, there is always the risk of environmental liability. Several types of insurance policies have been created to protect against such risk. If your business clients own or operate property, lease property, or are planning to buy or sell property, attorneys must be prepared to counsel them on how to protect them against environmental liability.

NJICLE's program intends to make attendees of this program aware of the environmental risks they should be concerned about, and to provide practical information on insurance solutions for protection via a panel of experienced attorneys and insurance professionals.

### A Guide To Banking And Financial Services Law And Regulation 2008

In coordination with The Practising Law Institute, The Pennsylvania Bar Institute in Pittsburgh will be the site for a live broadcast of the New York City PLI presentation: A Guide To Banking and Financial Services Law and Regulation 2008. The address for the event in Pittsburgh is the PBI Professional Development Conference Center, 339 Sixth Avenue, Suite 760. The program begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, December 10.

Financial institutions operating in the United States and the legal and regulatory frameworks governing their activities have become truly complex. The subprime meltdown and its aftermath will further complicate this arena as participants in the financial services sector brace themselves for the regulators' response to this crisis.

Attendees of this seminar will learn to identify the different types of financial institutions and their regulatory frameworks; explore the impact of the sub-

prime lending crisis on financial services providers; examine the implications of a move toward principles-guided regulation; survey the hot issues on enforcement and compliance agendas; and understand the ethics and governance challenges facing financial services attorneys.

Moderating the program will be Stephen W. Smithson, Lowenstein Sandler, PC. Among the speakers will be John Heft, New Day Underwriting Managers LLC; Nielsen V. Lewis, Hill Wallack, LLP; Brett McGovern, XL Insurance; and Raymond S. Papperman, Past Chair, NJSBA Environmental Law Section.

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Co-chairing the program will be Mitchell S. Eitel, Sullivan & Cromwell LLP and Craig M. Wasserman, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz. Faculty will include Philip Gallo, Deutsche Asset Management; Richard K. Kim, Wachtell, Lipton, Rosen & Katz; Bradley K. Sabel, Shearman & Sterling LLP; Gary Rice, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP; and Nora M. Jordan, Davis Polk & Wardwell.

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### Theatrical Presentation On Historical Figure

Maxims, Monarchy & Sir Thomas More: Dilemmas, Debates, Decisions is the title of an upcoming presentation by the Pennsylvania Bar Association on Wednesday, November 12. The program will be offered in either a morning or afternoon session on that date, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and concluding at noon, or beginning at 1 p.m. and concluding at 4:30, at the CLE Conference Center, 5080 Ritter Road, Mechanicsburg, PA.

Using the theme of Sir Thomas More's clash of religious belief with the public loyalty, the issues and ideas the program will address in the play are secular problems for the secular lawyer in the secular realm. The play conse-

quently provides a wide platform for discussion of many current questions and issues of concern to lawyers and the legal profession.

Graham Thatcher, artistic director of Periakto Productions, will perform the role of Sir Thomas More; a panel will follow featuring such speakers as Brian T. Guthrie, Saul Ewing, LLP; Vincent L. Champion, Rhoads & Sinon, LLP; and Stephanie F. Latimore, Legislative Reference Bureau of Harrisburg.

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### PBI Hosts Program On Pennsylvania's Alternative Energy Act

On Wednesday, November 5, the Pennsylvania Bar Institute will present the seminar Navigating Pennsylvania's Alternative Energy Investment Act. The program will be held at the PBI Conference Center, 5080 Ritter Road in Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding at 1:15 p.m. Several other locations will host simulcasts of the program as well.

Daniel Clearfield, WolfBlock, LLC and John Hanger, president and CEO of Citizens for Pennsylvania's Future will lead attendees through such topics as alternative, solar, clean, geothermal and wind energy projects, high-performance

"green" buildings, early stages of energy-related investment, home efficiency loan programs, and biofuel development and in-state production incentives.

The faculty will dissect these new acts, explain their provisions and highlight the process clients would need to follow to qualify for participation in this new alternative energy economy.

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### Unique Seminar: Tips For Courtroom Success

To be presented live in two Pennsylvania locations and simulcast to many more, an unusual and humorous program devised by PBI is titled Trials! Tips, Tactics & Practical Tales. On Thursday, November 13, the event will take place at the PBI Conference Center, 5080 Ritter Road, Mechanicsburg, PA and simulcast to more than five other locations in the area including Pittsburgh, Wilkes-Barre and Villanova. On Friday, November 14, the program will be held at the CLE Conference Center, Wanamaker Building, Suite 1010 in Philadelphia. At both locations the show will begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m.

Michael P. Cash is a respected Texas attorney and a shareholder in the Houston office of Winstead, PC. His timing as

a presenter and instructor was honed in a prior career as a stand-up comic; now Mr. Cash brings his unusual and fast-paced presentation on trial advocacy to the benefit of attendees of this creative and dynamic program.

Topics to be addressed include The Trial Lawyer – A Dying Breed?; Pre-Trial: What to Do Before the Trial Starts, Motion in Limine; Opening Statement: You Get 10 Seconds – Don't Waste Them; Cross and Direct Examination; Demonstrative Evidence: Educate and Entertain; and Closing Argument: It Ain't Over 'Til It's Over.

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### Choice Of Entity Ohio State Bar Seminar Focus

On Wednesday, November 12, The Ohio State Bar Association is offering a program titled Choice of Entity. The seminar will be held at the Ohio State Bar offices, 1700 Lake Shore Drive, Columbus, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.; the program will run at the same time on Wednesday, December 3 in Akron at the John S. Knight Center, 77 East Mill Street.

Faculty for the seminar will be Bruce D. Bernard and David K. McCarthy, Rea & Associates, Inc., and Rea Strategic Solutions. Mr. Bernard is the author of several books on the topic of selecting business entities.

Topics to be covered in the program will include the nuts and bolts of the legal, management and tax issues affecting the choice of entity for closely held businesses; use of LLCs versus S corporations as a flow-through entity; issues that closely held business owners face throughout the life of the company; and cutting edge tax planning ideas to minimize taxes on the sale of businesses.

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For reservations visit [www.ohioabar.org](http://www.ohioabar.org).

### PBI Presents Annual Foreign Direct Investment Program

The Pennsylvania Bar Institute is hosting its annual program on foreign business opportunities on Tuesday, November 18, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The event will take place at the CLE Conference Center, Wanamaker Building, Suite 1010, Philadelphia. The program will be repeated at PBI's Pittsburgh location, Heinz 57 Center, 339 Sixth Avenue, on Friday, November 21.

The course was planned by Dennis

Unkovic, Meyer, Unkovic & Scott, LLP, and the faculty will include Michael E. Hooton, H.J. Heinz Company; David Iwinski, Acusis, LLP; and Joel Pfeffer, also of Meyer, Unkovic & Scott.

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