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Dear Colleague:

It is our pleasure to invite you to attend CLE International's 11th Annual Eminent Domain Conference in Los Angeles.

Since the Supreme Court's ruling in *Kelo*, eminent domain professionals who previously practiced in relative anonymity have found themselves thrust into the limelight of legislation and public opinion.

With an advanced approach to important topics like the future of eminent domain practice and big projects, public utility rights of way, valuation of billboards, income and property tax implications, trial tactics, appeals, and ethical considerations, our experienced faculty will lead you into the next age of eminent domain.

This Conference brings you not only expert speakers, but also continuing education credit and invaluable networking opportunities. You'll gain practical insights, tools and strategies to help you deal with the complex issues you face throughout the year.

Educational and in-depth, this is *the* must-attend event for anyone involved in or impacted by eminent domain issues in California.

Whether you are a private practitioner, government employee, developer, planner, appraiser, environmental representative or real estate broker, this is one Conference you can't afford to miss!

We look forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,



Gary A. Kovacic, Esq.



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THURSDAY, APRIL 23

- 8:00 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 **Welcome and Introduction**
Overview of Day One
Gary A. Kovacic, Esq., Program Co-Chair
Sullivan, Workman & Dee, Los Angeles
- 8:45 **Looking Forward 10 Years: The Future of California Eminent Domain Practice**
What's Next? Where Do We Go from Here?
Gideon Kanner, Esq.
Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, Los Angeles
Vicki E. Land, Esq.
Brown Winfield Canzoneri Abram, Los Angeles
Norman E. Matteoni, Esq.
Matteoni, O'Laughlin & Hechtman, San Jose
- 10:00 Morning Break
- 10:15 **The Future of Big Projects**
Is There a Future in this Economy?
Brian Everett, Principal, Vice President
Overland, Pacific & Cutler, Long Beach
Velma C. Marshall, Deputy Executive Officer, Real Estate
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Andrew P. Nierenberg, District 7 Right of Way Manager
California Department of Transportation, Los Angeles
- 11:45 Lunch Break
- 1:15 **Ethics**
Where are the Boundaries? From Conflicts of Interest to Aggressive Advocacy
Gary A. Kovacic, Esq., Program Co-Chair
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- 2:15 **Regulating and Valuing Billboards**
Is What You See What You Get?
Ronald W. Beals, Esq., Chief Counsel
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), Sacramento
Donna Desmond, ASA, President
Donna Desmond Associates, Los Angeles
- 3:15 Afternoon Break
- 3:30 **Public Utility Rights of Way**
From Transmission Lines to Pipelines
Wesley G. Beverlin, Esq.
Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith, Los Angeles
Neilia A. LaValle, President and CEO
Paragon Partners, Huntington Beach
- 4:30 **Challenges to the Take**
Strategies from the Trenches
Douglas J. Evertz, Esq.
Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps, Los Angeles
Robert P. Silverstein, Esq.
The Silverstein Law Firm, Pasadena
Christopher Sutton, Esq.
Pasadena
- 5:30 Adjourn

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

- 8:30 Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 **Welcome Back**
Overview of Day Two
John C. Murphy, Esq., Program Co-Chair
- 9:15 **Income and Property Tax Implications of Condemnation**
What the Eminent Domain Attorney Should Know
Elizabeth B. Blakely, Esq.
Rodi Pollock Pettker Christian & Pramov, Los Angeles
Cris K. O'Neill, Esq.
Cahill-Davis & O'Neill, Los Angeles
- 10:15 Morning Break
- 10:30 **Working with Appraisers and Other Experts**
Making It Real for the Judge and Jury
Joyce L. Riggs, MAI, SR/WA, Vice President
Riggs & Riggs, Simi Valley
Michael F. Waldron, MAI, President
Waldron & Associates, Orange
Gary C. Weisberg, Esq.
Palmieri, Tyler, Wiener, Wilhelm & Waldron, Irvine
- 11:45 Lunch Break
- 1:15 **Mediating the Eminent Domain Case**
It's Not Just Splitting the Difference
A. J. Hazarabedian, Esq.
California Eminent Domain Law Group, Glendale
Hon. Enrique Romero (Retired)
ADR Services, Los Angeles
Hon. Edward J. Wallin (Retired)
JAMS, Orange
- 2:15 Afternoon Break
- 2:30 **Grand Masters of the Eminent Domain Jury Trial**
Voices of Experience
Stephen Chase, Esq., Assistant Chief Counsel (Ret.)
California Department of Transportation, Los Angeles
Thomas A. Freiberg Jr., Esq.
Mitchell, Silberberg & Knupp, Los Angeles
James C. Powers, Esq.
Nossaman, Los Angeles
- 3:30 **Appeals**
What's a Trial Lawyer to Do Now?
Michael M. Berger, Esq.
Manatt Phelps & Phillips, Los Angeles
- 4:30 Evaluations and Adjourn
- TELL US WHAT YOU WANT!**
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Gary A. Kovacic concentrates his practice in the areas of land use, zoning litigation and eminent domain. He has represented hundreds of property and business owners in eminent domain litigation.

John C. Murphy specializes in eminent domain, inverse condemnation and other complex jury trials. He has over 27 years of experience representing a wide variety of public agencies, corporations and landowners.

FACULTY

Ronald W. Beals is Caltrans' lead on billboard issues. He has been involved in the adoption of essentially every amendment and regulation to California's Outdoor Advertising Act in the past 30 years

Michael M. Berger is one of California's preeminent appellate lawyers, and one of the top land use and condemnation lawyers in the United States.

Wesley G. Beverlin practices in the areas of real estate development and land use. He serves as Vice-Chair of his firm's Public Entity department.

Elizabeth B. Blakely represents all forms of business entities from startup to exit strategy. She has extensive tax expertise, and over 20 years of drafting and negotiating experience.

Stephen Chase supervised real property matters in the Los Angeles legal office of Caltrans. He is currently retained as an advisor to that office.

Donna Desmond has completed hundreds of appraisal assignments. Her firm specializes in the valuation of outdoor advertising companies.

Brian Everett has, over the past 22 years, been involved in program and project management for public projects and private engineering firm projects.

Douglas J. Evertz has 20 years of experience representing both public agencies and private entities in complex litigation and real estate matters.

Thomas A. Freiberg Jr. practices in the areas of eminent domain, inverse condemnation, land use, real estate and litigation.

A. J. Hazarabedian has 20 years of experience in eminent domain, inverse condemnation and appellate litigation. He also serves as a court-appointed mediator in eminent domain matters.

Gideon Kanner is an experienced appellate attorney and eminent domain expert. He has been a practicing appellate lawyer in eminent domain and inverse condemnation for 40 years.

Vicki E. Land practices in the areas of environmental law, business litigation, class actions, real estate and land use litigation, eminent domain and inverse condemnation.

Neilia A. LaValle has nearly 30 years of experience providing land and right of way services for a variety of projects involving transportation corridors, railroads, pipelines, landfills, utilities, reservoirs, wind farms and telecommunications.

Velma C. Marshall has served for over 25 years as head of the real estate program. She is responsible for the acquisition and management of rights of way required for the construction and operation of various administrative, bus and rail projects.

Norman E. Matteoni practices condemnation, zoning and planning law. In private practice since the mid-1970s, he primarily represents property owners regarding takings and damages to property and businesses.

Andrew P. Nierenberg serves as the single focal point for right of way activities in the Los Angeles and Ventura counties' portions of the Southern Right of Way Region.

Cris K. O'Neill practices in the areas of ad valorem property tax and assessment counseling and litigation. For more than 17 years, he has represented a variety of California taxpayers in equalization proceedings.

James C. Powers is one of California's leading experts in condemnation. He has represented public and private entities ranging from public transportation agencies to water utilities in condemnation and eminent domain litigation.

Joyce L. Riggs is a real estate appraiser and consultant. She has testified as an expert witness in numerous eminent domain cases in Southern California.

Enrique Romero is an experienced mediator, and has settled hundreds of cases. He previously served as a Municipal Court Judge in Los Angeles and a Superior Court Judge in Los Angeles County, and has extensive experience as a trial attorney.

Robert P. Silverstein practices in the areas of business and real property litigation, with a particular focus on eminent domain, CEQA, land use, zoning, Public Records Act, Brown Act, and government and municipal litigation.

Christopher Sutton represents clients in disputes with local governments and Caltrans, including real estate contracts, zoning, conflicts of interest, eminent domain, relocation, inverse condemnation and redevelopment.

Michael F. Waldron is a field appraiser and real property consultant for both private and public clients throughout the western United States. He has provided expert testimony in hundreds of depositions and approximately 100 jury trials.

Edward J. Wallin has extensive experience resolving complex civil disputes. He formerly served as a Justice on the California Court of Appeal.

Gary C. Weisberg focuses his practice on valuation disputes and condemnation matters. Over the last several years, he has handled a number of condemnation matters on behalf of private land and business owners against the California Department of Transportation.

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