

PROFESSIONALS SPEAKING

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International Climate Law and Policy Symposium

April 14, 2010

9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

PRINT FRIENDLY AGENDA

SYMPOSIUM MATERIALS

Join climate change opinion leaders, global corporate executives and government officials from the Great Lakes and Washington D.C. to discuss diverse views on cutting edge legal and public policy that is shaping this body of law - and impacting every business and organization.

Agenda:

8:15 AM

Registration - Continental Breakfast

9:00 AM

Welcome - Opening Remarks

Mark J. Bennett, Symposium Chairman; Climate Change Practice Team Leader, Miller Canfield

Dean Robert M. Ackerman, Wayne State University Law School

9:15 AM

Keynote - Do Good, Make Money: Public Interest Aligns With Corporate America

As industry realizes the positive effects of energy efficiency and carbon emissions reductions, partnerships with public interest groups are becoming increasingly prevalent. We will explore these win-win opportunities which bode well for long-term collaborative economic development.

Shannon Fisk, Climate Law Counsel, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC)

10:00 AM

Transparency Equals Opportunity: How Climate Risk Disclosure Creates Value While Minimizing Risk

Transparency can drive cultural change and investment focus leading to enhanced shareholder value. The focus of this discussion will be the challenges and opportunities presented by recent interpretive guidance issued by the SEC regarding corporate climate change risk disclosure obligations and emerging regulatory trends at the state and local levels.

Seminars & Events

Moderator: Mark J. Bennett, Symposium Chairman; Climate Change Practice Team Leader, Miller Canfield

Richard J. Plewa, Senior Vice President & Director, Office of Corporate Sustainability, Comerica Bank

James Coburn, Policy Advisor, Ceres

Matthew P. Allen, Principal, Securities Litigation, Miller Canfield

11:45 AM

Lunch

Carbon Regulatory Policy: A View From Washington

An experienced Washington insider will review climate related legislation making its way through Congress as well as the impact of Administration efforts and recent Supreme Court attention in this area.

Introduction: Michael P. Coakley, Litigation & Dispute Resolution Group Leader, Miller Canfield

Christopher J. Adamo, Legislative Counsel, Energy Policy Advisor, Office of U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow; Member, Senate Energy & Finance Committee (invited)

Ross E. Eisenberg, Counsel, Environment & Energy, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

1:30 PM

Carbon in the Courts: Nuisance Law and Other Corporate Climate Liability Pathways

Traditional legal theory is being used to address climate change grievances in the courts despite challenges based on legal fundamentals.

Moderator: Anna M. Maiuri, Energy, Environmental + Regulatory Group Leader, Miller Canfield

Randy Gross, Director, Environmental & Regulatory Policy, Michigan Manufacturers Association (MMA)

Noah Hall, Assistant Professor of Law, Wayne State University Law School

Douglas J. Sordyl, P.E., LEED-AP, Managing Director, Marketing Sales & Industry Relations, American Concrete Institute (ACI)

Sabrina Argentieri, Associate Regional Counsel, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Paul M. Collins, Associate, Energy, Environmental + Regulatory, Miller Canfield

Seminars & Events

3:00 PM

Public-Private Partnerships in the Green Economy: Aligning Investment and Job Growth With Fiscal Responsibility

How can Clean Energy incentives be leveraged for long-term economic growth, job creation and U.S. global competitiveness in a recovering economy with structural deficit challenges?

Moderator: Mark J. Bennett, Symposium Chairman; Climate Change Practice Team Leader, Miller Canfield

Trevor F. Lauer, Vice President, Retail Marketing, DTE Energy
Brandon Hofmeister, Special Counsel for Energy & Climate Policy, Office of Governor Jennifer Granholm

Andrew S. Levin, Deputy Director, Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth, State of Michigan

Soji Adelaja, Director, Land Policy Institute, Michigan State University

4:15 PM

Closing Remarks

4:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Networking Reception

Location:

Wayne State University Law School
471 West Palmer Street
Detroit, MI 48202

Cost:

There is no cost to attend. Attendance by invitation only. Space is limited.

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