

Friday, October 21, 2011

AALA Symposium

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. ABA Business Section, Ag Finance Subcommittee

“Fundamentals of Negotiating Oil & Gas Leases and Perfecting a Security Interest in as Extracted Collateral”

Moderator: Drew Theophilus, Baird Holm, Omaha, NE

Larry Harris, Melchert Hubert Sjodin, PLLP, Waconia, MN

John B. McFarland, Graves, Dougherty, Hearon & Moody, Austin, TX

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. AALA Annual Business Meeting

Patricia A. Jensen, AALA President

General Session: Annual Developments in Agricultural Law

Moderator: Theodore Feitshans, North Carolina State University, AALA Past-President

9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Session A UCC – Brooke Schumm, Daneker, McIntire, Schumm, Prince, Manning & Widmann, PC, Baltimore, MD

9:30 – 10:00 a.m. Session B Tax Law Affecting Agriculture – Philip Harris, University of Wisconsin

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Session C Agricultural Bankruptcy – Jeffrey Peterson, Gray Plant Mooty, St. Cloud, MN

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break

General Session Continued: Annual Developments in Agricultural Law

Moderator: Peggy Kirk Hall, The Ohio State University

10:45 – 11:15 a.m. Session D Environmental Law & Agriculture - Anthony Schutz, Univ. of Neb. College of Law

11:15 – 11:45 a.m. Session E New Developments in Food Law – Susan Schneider, Univ. of Ark. School of Law

11:45 – 12:15 a.m. Session F Land Use Law – Jesse J. Richardson, Virginia Tech

1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

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Tax Law Developments

Philip Harris, University of Wisconsin

Neil Harl, Iowa State University

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Finding Money, Time and Knowledge for Your Client

Moderator: Tiffany Dowell, Peifer, Hanson & Mullins, P.A., Albuquerque, NM

Susan Stokes, Farmers' Legal Action Group, Inc.

Justin Schneider, Indiana Farm Bureau, Inc., Indianapolis, IN

R. Max Best, Law Office of R. Max Best, Clovis, NM

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Ag Antitrust: What's Next?

Moderator: John D. Shively, Faegre & Benson, LLP, Denver, CO
David M. Hayes, Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC, Syracuse, NY
Gabriel Gervey, Assistant Attorney General, State of Texas, Austin, TX
Phillip L. Kunkel, Gray Plant Mooty, St. Cloud, MN

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Challenge for Food Safety Regulation: Evolving Pathogens and New Federal Legislation

Moderator: Patricia A. Jensen, University of St. Thomas, Minneapolis, MN and AALA President
Dr. David Goldman, Office of Public Health Science, Food Safety Inspection Service, USDA
Maureen Kelly Moseman, Nebraska College of Law and Moseman & Associates, Omaha, NE
Elizabeth Haws Connally, Gardner Law, San Antonio, TX

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Investments in Agricultural Land, Limitations and Issues

Theodore Feitshans, North Carolina State University
Garth Glissman, Kutak Rock, LLP, Omaha, NE
Anthony Schutz, University of Nebraska College of Law

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Wind Energy Leasing: Representing Landowner Interests

H. Alan Carmichael, Wetsel & Carmichael, LLP, Sweetwater, TX
Shannon L. Ferrell, Oklahoma State University

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Assisting America's New Farmers: USDA, the Farm Bill, Landowners, and the Role of Lawyers

Moderator: Neil Hamilton, Director, Agricultural Law Center, Drake University School of Law
Brandon Willis, USDA Senior Advisor to the Secretary
Janie Hipp, USDA Senior Advisor to the Secretary and Director, Office of Tribal Relations
Ed Cox, Drake University Law School

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Challenges of Today's Agricultural Employers

Moderator: Elizabeth Haws Connally, Gardner Law, San Antonio, TX
Ned Meister, Director of Commodity and Regulatory Activities, Texas Farm Bureau
Nowell Berreth, Alston & Bird, LLP, Atlanta, GA
Tommy Simmons, Texas Workforce Commission

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8:30 –10:30 a.m.

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UCC - Emerging Issues for the Next Farm Credit Crisis

Moderator: Drew Theophilus, Baird Holm LLP, Omaha, NE

Alvin C. Harrell, Oklahoma City University, Oklahoma City, OK

Charles J. Sullivan, Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC, Syracuse, NY

Brooke Schumm, Daneker, McIntire, Schumm, Prince, Manning & Widmann, P.C., Baltimore, MD

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The Policy Nexus Between Energy and Agricultural Land Use

Moderator: Jody M. Endres, Energy Biosciences Institute, U. of Illinois, Champaign, IL

Ross H. Pifer, Agricultural Law Resource and Reference Center, Penn State University

A. Bryan Endres, University of Illinois

Bradford W. Bayliff, Casey, Gentz & Bayliff, LLP, Austin, Texas

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The Future Farm Policy: Update on the 2012 Farm Bill

Moderator: Bill Bridgforth, Ramsay, Bridgforth, Robinson and Raley LLP, Pine Bluff, AR

Mary Kay Thatcher, Senior Director for Congressional Relations, American Farm Bureau Federation

Martha Noble, Sustainable Ag Coalition, Washington, DC

Chandler Goule, Vice President of Government Relations, National Farmers Union

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Animal Welfare Litigation Impacting Livestock Producers: Emerging Issues

Moderator: David Waggoner, Waggoner Law Firm, Hillsboro, TX

Joe Miller, General Counsel, Rose Acre Farms, Seymour, IN

Michelle Pardo, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., Washington, DC

Peggy Kirk Hall, The Ohio State University

10:45 – 11:45 a.m Session G Ethics “Ethical Concerns with Improper Advertising and Solicitation with a Website and Social Media”

Mr. Jonathan Smaby, Executive Director. Texas Center for Legal Ethics

11:45-12:45 Lunch

12:45 – 2:45 p.m

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Estate Planning in a Climate of Change

Thomas Lawler, Lawler & Swanson, P.L.C. Parkersburg, IA

Paul Wright, Wright Law Co., LPA, Dublin, OH

Erin Herbold-Swalwell, Beving, Swanson & Forrest, Des Moines, IA

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Dust in the Wind: The Future of Air Regulation in the Agricultural Industry

Moderator: Thomas Redick, Global Environmental Ethics Counsel, St. Louis, MO

William Harnett, Associate Director, EPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards

Allie Devine, VP and General Counsel of the Kansas Livestock Association

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This Land is YOUR Land - This Land is MY Land- Understanding Land Rights

Moderator: David F. Barton, Gardner Law, San Antonio, TX

David Hartman, Smith Robertson, Elliott, Glen, Klein & Douglas, L.L.P., Austin, TX

David P. Smith, Barrett & Smith, PLLC, Austin, TX

Terence Centner, The University of Georgia

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Student Symposium - First Session

Law student presentations on current research projects

Moderator: Peggy Kirk Hall, The Ohio State University

2:45-3:00pm Break

3:00 – 4:30 p.m.

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Partnerships: The Neglected, The Disaster and The Desirable Plan

Moderator: Patrick K. Costello, Costello, Carlson & Butzon, LLC, Lakefield, MN

Robert Moore, Wright Law Co., LPA, Dublin, OH

Cari Rincker, Rincker Law, PLLC, New York, NY

Stephanie Smith, USDA Rural Development Cooperative Programs, Washington, DC

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Balancing Water Demand at the Interface of Agriculture and Urban Growth

Moderator: William Perry Pendley, Mountain States Legal Foundation, Lakewood, CO

Steve Kosub, Water Resources Counsel, San Antonio Water System

Karl J. Dreher, General Manager, Edwards Aquifer Authority, San Antonio, TX

Russell S. Johnson, McGinnis, Lochridge & Kilgore, L.L.P., Austin, TX

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Civil Rights Litigation and the USDA: Resolving Disputes and Learning Lessons

Moderator: Neil Hamilton, Director, Agricultural Law Center, Drake University School of Law

Stephen Carpenter, Farmers' Legal Action Group, Inc., formerly with Office of the Monitor in Pigford

Sarah Vogel, Baumstark, Braaten Law Partners, Bismarck, ND, class counsel in Keepseagle litigation

Janie Hipp, USDA Senior Advisor to the Secretary and Director, Office of Tribal Relations

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4:30 – 5:30 p.m Session H Ethics - Jesse J. Richardson, Virginia Tech