American Agricultural Law Association

29th Annual Agricultural Law Symposium

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THE AMERICAN AGRICULTURAL LAW ASSOCIATION

The AALA is a national professional non-profit organization focusing on the legal issues affecting agriculture. It provides a network through which those with an interest in agricultural law, practitioners, educators, government attorneys, policymakers, researchers, and those in the industry can share information and ideas. The AALA stands as an independent forum investigating innovative, workable solutions to agricultural law problems.

While you do not have to be a member of the American Agricultural Law Association (AALA) to attend our symposium, membership has many benefits. By joining now, you can qualify for the member discount for the 2008 and 2009 conferences (a $100 value) and enjoy membership benefits for all of 2009.

AALA members receive a monthly newsletter, *The Agricultural Law Update* and are listed in our online membership directory, an excellent source of information and referral. But perhaps the most valued member benefit is the opportunity to network with agricultural law professionals throughout the United States.

Membership dues are $90 for regular members, $60 for professionals within three years of graduating from college or professional school, $90 for regular members outside North America (with subscription to e-mail version of *Update*), $125 for regular members outside North America (with subscription to print version of *Update*), $30 for student members, $175 for sustaining members, and $250 for institutional members (which includes 3 regular memberships). To join, complete the membership form included with the conference registration form or online at www.aglaw-assn.org or call the AALA administrative office at (541) 466-5444.

An Excellent Learning Opportunity

For more than 28 years the American Agricultural Law Association (AALA) has provided lawyers, educators, students and those in the agribusiness community with the very latest information on relevant matters dealing with agriculture. The 2008 conference will continue this tradition of excellence at a time when demands for food and fuel are affecting agricultural production in every corner of the world.

Whether you are a practitioner in a rural area, a corporate attorney, counsel to a government agency, or involved in development of agricultural, environmental, or energy policy, the 2008 AALA conference has something for you. “Food, Fuel and Farming” is the theme of the conference, which will provide the latest information on food law, the 2008 Farm Bill (including new programs related to food, biofuels, and commodities) and the traditional updates which are essential for every practitioner to know: commercial law, environmental law, agricultural bankruptcy, farm estate and business planning, real property legal issues, farm income tax and ethics. There will also be individual break-out sessions on farm and ranch succession planning, immigration law, water law, organization of agricultural enterprises, comparisons of European and American agricultural and food law, organic foods, siting of livestock facilities, and renewable energy strategies for rural economic development.

We look forward to seeing you in Minneapolis! Registration materials and the most current schedule of events are also available online at www.aglaw-assn.org.

Maureen Kelly Moseman, AALA President-Elect

Thank You to Our Sponsors!

The AALA appreciates the generous support of the **Farm Foundation**. As it has in many years, the Farm Foundation's grant to the AALA for the annual conference has allowed the AALA to offer student attendees a greatly reduced registration fee which is instrumental in giving the students the chance to participate in broadening their educational experiences. Funds to support student travel expenses have also been provided by the law frm of **Lockridge Grindal Nauen PLLP** of Minneapolis. The AALA also thanks the following organizations for their sponsorship:

Lawler & Swanson PLC - Thursday Welcome Reception with the AALA Membership Committee;

Minnesota State Bar Ass'n Agriculture and Rural Law Section - Friday breakfast;

Agribank - Friday morning break;

Gray Plant Mooty LLC - Friday evening reception;

Faegre & Benson - Saturday breakfast; and

Stoel Rives LLP - Saturday Keynote Luncheon.

Minnesota State Bar Association - Friday luncheon

You Can Help Too!

The AALA has been fortunate in the generosity of its members through service and fnancial support. Each annual conference brings yet another opportunity for members and their frms to help offset the many expenses associated with the annual conference. Please contact Robert Achenbach, RobertA@aglaw-assn.org, if you or your frm would like to fully or partially sponsor any aspect of the 2008 conference in Minneapolis, including food events or students' travel costs, which enable many students to attend when fnancial costs would have otherwise prevented their attendance.

CONFERENCE HOTEL

Minneapolis Marriott City Center
30 S. 7th St., Minneapolis, MN 55402
www.marriott.com

The Marriott is located in downtown Minneapolis about eight miles from the Minneapolis International Airport (airport code - MSP) and 25 minutes by the light rail system ($1.50 - $2.00; exit at Nicollet Mall station). The light rail system (http://metrotransit.org/rail/station_detail.asp) provides easy access to the airport and many the best attractions of Minneapolis, including the Mall of America (www.mallofamerica.com). The hotel is two and one-half blocks from the Nicollet Mall station; exit the station, turn left onto Nicollet Mall. Walk 2 blocks to 7th St. and turn right. Go one-half block to the entrance of the Marriott City Center Hotel.

Guest rooms for attendees are available at $129+tax for single, double, triple and quad occupancy. The conference rate is also available for a **very small number of rooms** for two days before and the last day of the conference. For reservations, call 800-228-9290. Be sure to identify yourself as attending the American Agricultural Law Association conference. **All blocked rooms return to retail price on September 30, 2008**. This should be a well-attended conference so reserve your room early. If the block flls, contact RobertA@aglaw-assn.org and he will seek block expansion.

Registration:

Please use the enclosed registration form to register yourself and any guest who wishes to attend the lunches and Friday evening reception. The form is also available on the AALA web site in a PDF fle which may be flled out on your

computer.

Conference handbooks:

All attendees must choose whether to receive the conference written materials in printed form or on CD. See the registration form for selection of your choice.

Printed Handbooks:

The printed handbooks are rather large, so we will provide a shipping service to send your handbook to you from Minneapolis after the conference. The books will be sent UPS/FedEx ground. If you want your book sent by a faster method, please bring your UPS/FedEx account number to the conference and your account will be charged for the shipping. Be sure to check at the registration desk for all written materials submitted close to the conference date. Extra printed handbooks are available and can be ordered on the registration form.

CD Handbooks:

Each attendee who requests the written materials on a CD instead of the printed handbook will receive a CD at the conference, but because some written materials are submitted close to the conference dates, paper materials will also be provided at the conference. Therefore, new, complete CDs will be sent after the conference. Extra CD handbooks are available and can be ordered on the registration form.

Each meeting room will have power strips for laptops in the first two rows and last two rows of each room.

Physical and food needs:

The registration form has a section for you to let us know of any physical needs you may have in order to comfortably attend the conference. You may also make special requests for food served at the two lunches. These requests must be made *before* the conference in order to allow the hotel staff to make suitable arrangements. **We are not able to accommodate special meal requests made at the time of the lunches themselves**. If you forget to make the special meal request, please contact Robert Achenbach at the registration desk and he will work with the hotel to meet your needs.

The information and forms in this brochure are also available on our web site: www.aglaw-assn.org.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Schedule is subject to changes.
For the most recent schedule, see www.aglaw-assn.org.

Thursday, October 23, 2008

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Welcome Reception and Conference Pre-registration

Sponsored by the law firm of Lawler & Swanson, PLC of Parkersburg, Iowa and the AALA Membership Committee. Lawler & Swanson, PLC is a general practice frm with offces in Parkersburg and Greene, Iowa. Its focus is primarily in probate, tax, estate planning and real estate, and it represents producers on USDA farm program matters at all levels. Thomas A. Lawler and Amy K. Swanson are the two attorneys at the frm. Tom is a former president of AALA and Amy is a former board member. In 2008 the frm survived a tornado in Parkersburg and fooding in Greene.

Friday, October 24, 2008

7:00 – 8:00 a.m. Conference Registration and Continental Breakfast

Sponsored by the Minnesota Bar Association, Agriculture and Rural Law Section.

The Agricultural and Rural Law Section explores and implements methods of providing access to quality legal assistance for farm families and rural residents. The section also addresses issues including agricultural estate planning, agricultural environmental law and animal waste management developments, agricultural business law, USDA programs,and farm credit developments.

7:30 - 8:30 a.m. ABA Business Section, Ag Finance Subcommittee Lease financing opportunities and issues for the agribusiness community, including a discussion of leasing options for alternative energy financing - Session A

Moderator: *R. Lawrence Harris*, Melchert, Hubert and Sjodin PLLP, Waconia, MN
Panelists: *Thomas Robinson*, Director of Marketing, Farm Credit Leasing, Minneapolis, MN
Donald C. "Buzz" Shepard III, Faegre & Benson LLP,

Minneapolis, MN

8:30 – 9:00 a.m. AALA Annual Business Meeting
Roger A. McEowen, AALA President

Annual Update of Developments in Agricultural Law

Moderator: Anne Hazlett, Senate Committee on Agriculture, Washington, DC

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.
UCC Developments and Agricultural Interests - Session B
Keith G. Meyer, University of Kansas School of Law, Lawrence

9:30 – 10:45 a.m.
Tax Law Developments Affecting Agriculture - Session C
Roger A. McEowen, Iowa State University, Ames
Phillip E. Harris, University of Wisconsin School of Law, Madison

10:45 – 11:00 a.m. Break
Sponsored by Agribank. AgriBank, headquartered in St. Paul, Minnesota, and the 17 associations within the AgriBank Farm Credit District provide credit and other services to approximately 238,000 agricultural producers and rural homeowners. The District has total assets in excess of $53 billion. Credit is available to help farmers and ranchers finance land, machinery, housing, seed, feed, chemicals, and other needs. Multi-peril, crop-hail, and life-disability insurance are also available, as well as record-keeping services, tax preparation, and estate planning. The AgriBank District includes Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota, Tennessee, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

11:00 – 11:30 a.m.
Update on Agricultural Bankruptcy - Session D
Jeffrey A. Peterson, Gray Plant Mooty LLC, St. Cloud, MN

11:30 – 12:00 p.m.
Environmental Law and Agriculture - Session E
Anthony B. Schutz, University of Nebraska College of Law, Lincoln

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. Luncheon
Presentation of Awards - *Jesse J. Richardson*, Chair, Awards Committee
Presidential Address - *Roger A. McEowen*, AALA President

Annual Update of Developments in Agricultural Law (cont.)

Moderator: Beth Crocker, South Carolina Department of Agriculture, Columbia **1:00 – 1:30 p.m.**

New Developments in Food Law - Session F
Susan A. Schneider, University of Arkansas School of Law, Fayetteville

1:30 – 2:15 p.m.
The New Farm Bill: What's In, What's Out in 2008 - Session G
David P. Grahn, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC

2:15 – 3:00 p.m. Farm Foundation 75th Anniversary Lecture: "Influences on Global Commodity Prices" - Session H
Introduction: *Steve Halbrook,* University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
Speaker: *Christopher Hurt*, Agricultural Economics, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

3:00 – 3:15 p.m. Break

3:15 – 5:15 p.m. Concurrent Session I
On the Ground – Practical Developments in Arbitration, Litigation, and Legislation

3:15 – 4:30 p.m
Storm Clouds Gathering: **Are High Prices a Sign of Problems to Come? - Session I**
Moderator: William E. (Bill) Penn, Agricultural and Rural Advocates, PLC, Williamston, MI
A discussion of agricultural contract formation and enforcement issues and arbitration clauses in contracts.
Panelists:
Sarah Vogel, Sarah Vogel Law Firm, PC, Bismarck, ND
Learn about representation of farmers involved in grain elevator insolvencies.
David Barrett, Barrett, Easterday, Cunningham & Eselgroth LLP,

Dublin, OH
A discussion of arbitration clauses in contracts.
Scott Fancher, Scott Fancher Law Firm, Harrison, AR
Learn about arbitration clauses related to crop insurance.

4:30 – 5:15 p.m. Concurrent Session I (cont.)
Corporate Farm Bans – New Developments - Session J
Moderator: Patricia A.Jensen, Public Policy Consulting, St. Paul, MN
A practitioner's guide to state legislative and judicial developments in 2008.
Panelists: *Anthony B. Schutz*, University of Nebraska College of Law
Charles M. Carvell, Office of the Attorney General, North Dakota, Bismarck

3:15 – 5:15 p.m. Concurrent Session II

Producer owned Agricultural Processing Facilities

3:15 – 4:30 p.m.
1. **Producer Owned Processing – Has the Fully Integrated Production System Come of Age? Session K**
Moderator: Gary Koch, Gislason & Hunter LLP, New Ulm, MN
The organization of Triumph Foods, LLC and the construction of the first modern pork processing plant in over 10 years has had a dramatic impact on the pork industry. The panel will focus on issues related to the emerging success of Triumph Foods and what the Triumph example shows for the future of integrated food production systems in the United States.
Panelists: *Rick Hoffman,* CEO, Triumph Foods, LLC, St. Joseph, MO
John Schwartz, CEO, Schwartz Farms, Inc., Sleepy Eye, MN
Gary Koch, Gislason & Hunter, LLP
Terry Holton, Seaboard Foods, Shawnee Mission, KS
Robert Christensen, Christensen Farms, Sleepy Eye, MN

4:30 – 5:15 p.m. Concurrent Session II (cont.)
2. New Developments in Cooperatives Law - Session L
Moderator: Charles J. Sullivan, Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC, Syracuse, NY
Changes in the laws affecting cooperatives make it easier to obtain capital, but will cooperatives become more like investor-owned entities?? Panelists will explain the changes in the law and provide regional perspectives on the pros and cons.
Panelists: *Ronald D. McFall*, Stoel Rives LLP, Minneapolis MN
James B. Dean, Dean, Dunn & Phillips LLC, Denver, CO
Charles J. Sullivan, Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC

3:15 – 5:15 p.m. Concurrent Session III
Bock Chair Mini Symposium
Sponsored by the University of Illinois
Precaution In Agricultural and Food Law – Session M
Moderator: Margaret Rosso Grossman, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
The controversial precautionary principle plays a role in international law, and different attitudes toward precaution have affected trade in agricultural and other products. European Community measures that govern food and agriculture apply the precautionary principle explicitly, and laws and regulations in the US (which has not formally adopted the precautionary principle) often adopt a precautionary approach.
1. Requiring Precaution: State Liability Exceptions for Agri-Tourism Activities
Terence Centner, University of Georgia, Athens
2. Precaution and International Trade in Agricultural Products
Ilona Cheyne, Newcastle Law School, United Kingdom
3. The EU Approach to Precaution in the Food Sector
Bernd van der Meulen, Wageningen University, The Netherlands
4. Precaution in US and EC Authorization of GMOs: A Comparison
Helle Tegner Anker, Copenhagen University, Denmark
Margaret Rosso Grossman, University of Illinois

5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Reception for all Participants and Guests
Sponsored by the Law Firm of Gray Plant Mooty LLC.
The members of Gray Plant Mooty's Agribusiness Team serve as business advisors to agricultural entities. Their lawyers have substantial expertise in state and federal laws governing activities related to agriculture and a breadth and depth of experience within the agricultural industry. When the situation necessitates, they work closely with our colleagues in other firm practice areas to meet the clients' needs. Their lawyers bring substantial expertise in related areas, such as Entrepreneurial Services, Environmental Law, International Law, Intellectual Property, Litigation, Reorganization and Bankruptcy, Business Law and Business Tax. For more information about Gray Plant Mooty,

visit: www.gpmlaw.com.

Saturday, October 25, 2008

7:00 – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

Sponsored by Faegre & Benson. Faegre & Benson represents many of the world's leading food, agriculture and biofuels companies. More than 100 attorneys in offices around the world make it their business to understand the rapidly evolving areas of seed biotechnology and crop protection. They stay abreast of issues in food safety, environmental regulation and the expanding biofuels market. Faegre & Benson lawyers also understand the ever-changing business side of the industry — applying knowledge of commodity markets, production chain issues, global workforce needs and industry competition to assist clients in a variety of matters. Established in Minneapolis in 1886, Faegre & Benson has evolved into one of the 100 largest law firms in the U.S., with offices in Minnesota, Colorado, Iowa, London, Frankfurt and Shanghai and more than 525 lawyers worldwide.

Breakfast Discussion Groups
(Practitioners, General Counsel, Government, Educators)

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.

Career Options for Students of Agricultural Law- Session N

Moderator: Ross Pifer, Agricultural Law Resource & Reference Center,
Penn State Dickinson School of Law.

A panel discussion to inform students of the varied options available for those interested in agricultural law as a career. Bring your breakfast. Employers welcome!

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Ethical and Competent Management of Law Offices – Session O

Moderator: Drew Kershen, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman

Law office management raises ethical issues related to engagement and termination letters, fee arrangements, personnel matters (non-lawyer staff and lawyers), handling client funds and client property, and other issues. Law office management tends to receive little attention in ethics CLEs or in law school courses. Yet, law office management is, of necessity, something that every practicing lawyer does and must do --competently and ethically.

Panelists:

Patrick K. Costello, Muir, Costello & Carlson, Lakefeld, MN
Gregory C. Sisk, University of St. Thomas School of Law, Minneapolis, MN
Drew L. Kershen, University of Oklahoma College of Law, Norman, OK

9:30 –9:45 a.m. Break

9:45 - 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Session IV
The Requirements and Reality of Immigration Laws - Session P

Moderator: *Matt Benda*, Peterson, Savelkoul & Benda, LTD, Albert Lea, MN

Recent raids underscore the reality of immigration enforcement in agriculture. Attorneys advising communities and businesses need to be aware of the requirements that need to be followed in balancing the need for an available workforce and immigration compliance. Also, learn about the challenges that are on the horizon for policy makers and business leaders.

1. Nuts and Bolts of Employer Compliance

DeAnne M. Hilger, Lindquist & Vennum, PLLP, Minneapolis, MN

Learn about recent developments in immigration enforcement and the changing landscape of penalties for employers. Also, you will hear an overview of what to do and what not do in documentation and investigation.

2. How to Help Those Left Behind.

John Keller, Immigration Law Center of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN

Hear perspectives on how to deal with the aftermath of a raid. Also, what are the challenges with the current system and what is being done to manage the problem in D.C.? Reform or standstill?

3. Finding Employees in Today's World.

Chris Wendt, Mayo Foundation, Rochester, MN

Learn of the current demographic trends affecting employers with today's global workforce.

9:45 - 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Session V
Siting of Livestock Production Facilities - Session Q

Moderator: *Eldon L. McAfee*, Beving, Swanson & Forrest, PC,
Des Moines, IA

Livestock producers face up to four levels of regulation of their livestock facilities: township, county, state and federal. Obtaining all of the

required permits and staying in compliance with all of the rules is not an easy matter. This session includes a discussion of the livestock siting rules in Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa and a more general discussion of how siting laws may affect livestock producers in other states.

1. Minnesota Livestock Siting Laws

Robert Sip, Principal Planner, Local Landuse, Feedlot Siting and Agribusiness Development Program, Minnesota Department of Agriculture, St. Paul, MN.

About 25% of Minnesota's 1,800 townships have enacted ordinances that regulate livestock facilities. Learn how Minnesota's feedlot regulations relate to planning and zoning laws.

2. Wisconsin Livestock Siting Laws

Cheryl F. Daniels, Board Attorney to the Wisconsin Livestock Facility Siting Review Board, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection

Wisconsin law limits the exclusion of livestock facilities from agricultural zoning districts and establishes procedures local governments must follow if they decide to issue conditional use or other local permits for siting livestock facilities. State law authorizes the Livestock Facility Siting Review Board to hear appeals concerning local decisions on permits. Find out how policy makers in Wisconsin made their decisions to enact the law and rule and how it is working in practice to balance the interests between local and statewide controls of agricultural enterprises.

3. Iowa Livestock Siting Laws

Eldon L. McAfee, Beving, Swanson & Forrest, P.C., Des Moines, IA

Learn how control of siting at the state level in Iowa affects livestock operations.

4. Livestock Siting Laws Across the United States

James N. Saul, Midwest Environmental Advocates, Madison, WI

9:45 - 11:30 a.m. Concurrent Session VI

The New Water Wars: Competing Interests in Water - Session R

Moderator: Peggy Kirk Hall, The Ohio State University, Columbus

Panelists will address tributary groundwater and its impacts on stream flows, governance issues and climate change impacts on water, and recent state and regional legislation and its impacts on water rights.

Panelists: *Elizabeth Burleson,* University of South Dakota School of Law, Vermillion, SD
J. David Aiken, University of Nebraska-Lincoln
Jesse J. Richardson, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA

11:30 – 12:30 p.m. Keynote Luncheon

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar, U.S. Senate (invited)

Elected to the U.S. Senate to represent Minnesota in 2006, Senator Klobuchar serves on the Agriculture; Environment and Public Works; Commerce, Science and Transportation; and Joint Economic Committees of the U.S. Senate.

The Keynote luncheon is sponsored by Stoel Rives LLP. Stoel Rives LLP enjoys a 100-year tradition of excellence as a leading U.S. law firm with a long history of representing agricultural and agribusiness concerns, including large production farms, vineyards, ranches, wineries, processing facilities and significant lenders and investors in the agricultural and agribusiness industries. Lawyers working in this area have experience in financing, real estate, natural resources, regulatory and water issues, international trade and legislative affairs. Stoel Rives has more than 365 lawyers practicing in offices in seven states and providing legal services to clients with local, regional, national and international operations.

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Concurrent Session VII

Rural Economic Development Opportunities

12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
Community Wind: Legal Issues in Organizing and Financing

Locally Owned Wind Projects - What Rural Practitioners Need to Know - Session S

Moderator: Neil Hamilton, Drake University School of Law, Des Moines, IA

Renewable energy projects are contributing to rural economic development in a number of states. Learn about the "nuts and bolts" of community-based wind generation projects.

Panelists: *Neil Hamilton*, Drake University School of Law, Des Moines, IA
David Moeller, Minnesota Power, Duluth, MN
Jeffrey C. Paulson, Jeffrey C. Paulson Ltd., Minneapolis, MN

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

The Lifecycle Carbon Footprint of Biofuels: How carbon may generate producer profit or liability - Session T

Moderator: Steve Halbrook, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
Federal climate change legislation may create markets for production and sale of carbon. Learn more about this cutting edge environmental issue with big implications for production agriculture and conservation practices.

Panelists: *Bruce A. McCarl*, Texas A & M, College Station;
David Miller, Iowa Farm Bureau, Des Moines, IA
Janie Hipp, USDA Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service, Washington, DC

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Concurrent Session VIII

Legal Issues Involving Organic Agriculture – Session U

Moderator: Susan A. Schneider, University of Arkansas School of Law
Organic farming has become one of the fastest growing segments of U.S. agriculture. Attorneys with clients who run organic operations, who are considering a switch to organic, or who purchase and market organic products need information about the legal challenges and potential support.

1. The 2008 Farm Bill: A Fair Piece of the Farm Bill Pie for Organic Agriculture
Martha Noble, Sustainable Agriculture Coalition, Washington, DC
In the coalition-building that produced the 2008 farm bill, organic agriculture won some hard fought victories. Learn what's in the farm bill on organic agriculture and why it matters.

2. Legal Strategies: How to Protect your Organic Client from Outside Threats

Paula Maccabee, Just Change Consulting, St. Paul, MN
Organic farms need to maintain compliance with organic standards and certification in order to market their crops for premium value. External influences are a continual threat - pesticide drift, genetic contamination, even pipelines and powerlines are a threat. How can lawyers protect their organic farmer clients and how should damages be computed

3. Organic and Beyond: Dispute Resolution Issues - Is it really Organic and How Do Private Certifications Address New Criteria?
Jill Krueger, Farmers Legal Action Group, Inc. (FLAG), St. Paul, MN
Dispute resolution in the world of organics is a new arena for many attorneys. How is certification withdrawn; what administrative processes are involved? And, what are the rules when private certification, e.g., "humanely raised" is at issue?

4. Equivalency, Imports and International Organic Standards
A. Bryan Endres, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana
Imported organic products make up a major segment of today's market. This session will provide an overview of how the certification process applies in the international market, explain the concept of equivalency, and highlight recent developments with Canadian organic standards.

12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Concurrent Session IX

12:30 - 1:45

Estate Planning and Business Issues in Agriculture - Session V
Moderator Gary Hansen, Agribank, St. Paul, MN
Neil E. Harl, Iowa State University, Ames

1:45 - 2:30

Livestock Economics - The See-Saw Discord Between the Debtor/ Creditor - Session W
Michael S. Dove, Gislason & Hunter LLP, New Ulm, MN

2:30 – 2:45 p.m. Break

2:45 – 4:30 p.m.

The Final Round up: The 2008 Farm Bill – Washington Policy Perspective - Session X
Sponsored by the National Agricultural Law Center – University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
Moderator: Harrison Pittman, National Agricultural Law Center
Panelists:
Anne Hazlett, Minority Counsel, Committee on Agriculture, U.S. Senate
Anne Simmons, Majority Staff, Committee on Agriculture, U.S. House of Representatives (invited)
Michael Knipe, Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Bill Bridgforth, Ramsay, Bridgforth, Harrelson & Starling LLP, Pine Bluff, AR
Beth Bechdol, Ice Miller LLP, Indianapolis, IN

4:30 p.m. Adjourn

See you next year, October 16-17, 2009 at the Crowne Plaza Ft. Magruder in historic Williamsburg, VA

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION CREDIT

Be sure to indicate on your registration form the state(s) for which you wish to apply for CLE credit. Continuing Legal Education Credit (CLE) accreditation will be requested in states requiring accreditation. This program will include 795 minutes of legal education plus one hour (60 minutes) of legal ethics. In most cases, all costs associated with CLE pre-accreditation are prepaid. In a few states, attorneys may be required to submit additional fees when applying for their individual credit. Each attendee will be provided with a Certificate of Attendance in triplicate, a copy of which will be submitted to the state CLE boards which require reporting of attendance and a copy kept in our records.

If you wish to receive educational credit for another profession, please indicate your interest on the registration form and send us information on requesting accreditation for the conference.

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CANCELLATIONS

To cancel your registration, contact the AALA office at (541) 466-5444 by 5 p.m. Pacific Time on October 17, 2008. Prior to October 18, registration fees, minus a $10 processing fee, will be refunded. No refunds will be given after October 17, 2008; however, we will send your handbook to you.

QUESTIONS

For more information about the conference or the AALA, please contact:

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