



4th ANNUAL NALA MARCH SEMINAR – March 17th, 2016
“Lease & Midstream Issues in the Maturing Marcellus & Utica”
Rivers Casino | Pittsburgh, PA
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

11:30 am – Noon | Registration

Noon – 1:00 pm | Lunch

1:00 – 2:15pm | Speaker – Steve B. Silverman–
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“The Changing Landscape of Lease Issues”

2:30 – 3:45 pm | Speaker – Dave E. White –
Babst Calland
“Midstream & Well Site Construction Issues”

4:00 – 5:30 pm | Guest Speaker – Susan L.
Sakmar – The University of Houston Law Center
“Global Perspectives on LNG”

5:30 – 7:30 pm | Hors d’oeuvres and Cocktails

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Special Guest Speaker:



**Susan L. Sakmar, Visiting Assistant
Professor – The University of Houston Law
Center and Author of the recent book,
*Energy for the 21st Century: Opportunities and
Challenges for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)***



SPEAKER | David E. White, Shareholder - Babst Calland

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Areas of Emphasis

David White is a shareholder in the Construction Services and Litigation Services Groups of Babst Calland. Mr. White concentrates his practice on construction and commercial litigation.

Mr. White's construction experience includes representing contractors, subcontractors, design engineers and project owners in disputes involving steel mills, industrial furnaces, airplane hangars, airports, shopping centers, utilities, hospitals, commercial buildings, schools, churches and retail complexes. He has handled a wide array of construction disputes and issues from mechanics' liens and breach of contract/delay claims, to product defect/construction accident suits, to the general negotiation of contracts.

His commercial litigation experience includes the representation of a Performing Rights Licensing Organization in copyright infringement actions brought against establishments which provide musical entertainment in violation of the U.S. Copyright Laws, premises liability defense litigation and products liability defense litigation.

Mr. White has tried cases in state and federal trial courts and before government agencies. He has appeared before the Pennsylvania Superior Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit and the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit. Mr. White has also represented clients in alternative dispute resolution forums, such as AAA arbitration and mediation.

Background

Mr. White graduated from Yale University with a B.A. degree in 1987. He received his J.D. from the University of Pittsburgh in 1990, where he was a member of the Law Review.

Memberships and Affiliations

Mr. White is a member of the Construction Section of the Allegheny County Bar Association. He has been recognized as one of Pennsylvania's top lawyers since 2007, according to an annual survey published in Philadelphia magazine. Martindale-Hubbell has bestowed a peer review rating of AV on Mr. White.

Mr. White is a Fellow of the Temple University Academy of Advocacy. He is also active in his community with the United Way and with the Yale Club of Pittsburgh.



SPEAKER | Steven B. Silverman, Shareholder – Babst Calland

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Area of Emphasis

Steve Silverman is a shareholder in the Litigation Services and Energy & Natural Resources Groups of Babst Calland. His practice focuses on commercial litigation, with an emphasis on natural gas title and lease disputes and other energy-related cases. He also devotes a significant amount of his practice to the defense and prosecution of theft of trade secret and non-compete suits. Another significant part of Mr. Silverman's practice involves Information Technology Law, including licenses, data and document management, and labor and employment matters surrounding the information technology industry.

Mr. Silverman also heads up the firm's E-Discovery group and devotes a portion of his practice to risk management and cost control issues in that area. He frequently advises companies on the creation of litigation hold policies and data preservation and collection practices. Mr. Silverman has been appointed as an E-Discovery Special Master by the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania and also assisted in the creation of that program by serving on its advisory committee.

Mr. Silverman also regularly serves as a mediator, early neutral evaluator and arbitrator in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Background

Mr. Silverman graduated cum laude in 1989 from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, where he served as Managing Editor of the University of Pittsburgh Journal of Law and Commerce. He also graduated with honors in 1986 from Franklin and Marshall College.

Memberships and Affiliations

Mr. Silverman is admitted to practice before all Pennsylvania courts, the United States District Courts for both the Western and Middle Districts of Pennsylvania and the United States Court of Appeals for the Third and Tenth Circuits. He has also been specially admitted to practice before many other state and federal courts throughout the United States. Mr. Silverman is a member of the Allegheny County Bar Association where he serves on its Technology and E-Discovery Committee. He is also a member of the Pennsylvania and American Bar Associations.

Mr. Silverman received an AV Preeminent certification rating in a survey of his peers conducted by the Technology Law Section (formerly titled the Cyber Law Section). Mr. Silverman has also been recognized for the last several years as one of Pennsylvania's top lawyers in Civil Litigation Defense, according to an annual survey published in Philadelphia magazine.

Publications/Presentations

Lecturer, "The Five Biggest Myths About Non-Compete Agreements," September 24, 2011. Lecturer, "Controlling E-Discovery Costs: Five Proactive Solutions," May 2010.

Author, "Why Every Company Must Have A Records Management Plan," Iron & Steel Technology Magazine, June 2009.

Lecturer, "A Primer on Computer Forensics: What Every Lawyer Needs to Know Before Hiring an Expert," Pennsylvania Bar Institute, May 2009.

Lecturer, "The Basics of Restrictive Covenants," April, 2009.

Lecturer, "Records Management Plans: What Every In-House (and Outside) Counsel Needs to Know," February 2009.

Lecturer, "The Threat from Within: Monitoring Your Employees' IT Use," January 2009.

Lecturer, "E-Discovery Malpractice Avoidance: What Every Lawyer Must Know About E-Discovery," November 2007.

Author, "Preserving Electronic Data: Your Rights and Obligations in an Increasing Paperless World," Pittsburgh TEQ Magazine, April 2007.

Lecturer, "Your Duty to Preserve Electronically Stored Information: The New Supreme E-Discovery Rules," Twelfth Annual BAI Audit, Compliance and e-Security Conference, April 2007.



SPEAKER | Susan L. Sakmar, Visiting Assistant Professor

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Susan L. Sakmar is licensed to practice law in California and has over 20 years experience working in a variety of legal, corporate, nonprofit, and academic environments. She began her professional career as an accountant for Chevron Corporation in San Francisco, California and left Chevron to pursue a law career. Prior to teaching, she was an attorney in the commercial litigation department of a major San Francisco firm where she represented clients in a variety of complex litigation cases. She has also served on a number of nonprofit environmental boards including Board Chair for the Jane Goodall Institute, founded by world-renowned chimpanzee expert Dr. Jane Goodall.

She is currently a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Houston Law Center where she teaches a course on Shale Gas & LNG. She also consults on various aspects of global gas markets and is working on a number of training projects related to LNG as well as several projects focused on the environmental and regulatory issues for global shale gas development.

She holds an LL.M. from Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC, a J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco, CA., and a business degree (B.Sc.) from the University of Colorado, Boulder, CO.

Her recent book, ENERGY FOR THE 21ST CENTURY: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG), provides a comprehensive overview of the entire LNG value chain and analyzes the critical role LNG will play in the 21st century as the “glue” linking global gas markets. The book is available on Amazon <http://www.amazon.com/dp/1849804214> or direct from the publisher http://www.e-elgar.co.uk/bookentry_main.lasso?id=14131.

