

December 5- Ethics and Professional Responsibility for New Government Attorneys

SPEAKER BIOS

Marc P. Hansen was appointed to the position of County Attorney in December 2010. In that capacity, he provides leadership to 50 attorneys who provide legal services to Montgomery County, Maryland, in litigation, transactional and general counsel matters. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Hansen served in various positions in the Office of the County Attorney since 1984. Mr. Hansen's areas of concentration are government operations, procurement, legislation, and government ethics. Mr. Hansen is a former mayor of Washington Grove, Maryland (1987-90), and is the current Chair, Board of Zoning Appeals of Washington Grove. He has served on various sections and committees of the International Municipal Lawyer's Association. He was previously in private practice (1975-1984). He is admitted to the Maryland Bar (1975), and is also admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for Maryland (1976), the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals (1977), and the U.S. Supreme Court (1980). Mr. Hansen is a member of the Maryland and Montgomery County Bar Associations

Charles W. Thompson, Jr. is the Executive Director and General Counsel of the International Municipal Lawyers Association. Prior to being appointed to this position Mr. Thompson served as County Attorney for Montgomery County, Maryland from 1995 to 2006. For the previous 17 years, Mr. Thompson served as County Attorney for Carroll County, Maryland. Mr. Thompson received a bachelor's degree in history from Virginia Military Institute and earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Baltimore School of Law. In addition to serving as President of the Carroll County Bar Association, Mr. Thompson served as Chairman of the Board of the State and Local Government Law Section of the Maryland State Bar Association, and as Chairman and a member of the Committee on Ethics. Mr. Thompson also served on the Board of Directors and as President of the County Civil Attorneys group in the Maryland Association of Counties. Mr. Thompson is currently serving as an adjunct professor at the George Washington University teaching State and Local Government Law. Mr. Thompson is admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for Maryland, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court.