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SPEAKERS:

Tom Lynch (tlynch@milesstockbridge.com) is a member of the Real Estate Litigation Practice, Environmental Practice and has been a partner and then a principal of Miles & Stockbridge for more than 30 years. Tom has a very diversified litigation and alternative dispute resolution background. Since the mid-1980s, Tom has represented industry, large and small businesses, financial institutions and individuals on environmental matters, including environmental litigation, compliance counseling, and transactional matters including mergers and acquisitions, and contract negotiation. Tom also has handled a very broad range of complex litigation matters, including emergency injunctive practice, employment and employment-related litigation, general corporate and civil business litigation, land use and real estate litigation. Tom also is one of our most experienced alternative dispute resolution practitioners.

Tom also is known for his very broad knowledge and experience on ethics issues. He has participated as a member of the Maryland State Bar Ethics

Trish Weaver (tweaver@paleyrothman.com) is Chair of the Appellate Practice group and a member of the Litigation, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Corporate practices. Over the past 20 years, she has handled numerous appeals, authored briefs and argued before the Maryland Court of Appeals, the Maryland Court of Special Appeals and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. She is admitted to, and awaits the chance to argue before, the U.S. Supreme Court. Prior to joining Paley Rothman, Trish clerked for the Honorable Howard S. Chasanow on the Maryland Court of Appeals.

Trish enjoys building ongoing relationships with her clients as their business advisor. By understanding their business objectives, and learning the dynamics of their company, Trish remains attuned to the factors that may influence her clients' decision making. She works to educate her clients on the legal implications of business options, identifies attendant legal costs, and recommends and proposes strategies for accomplishing their goals.

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. 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 Maryland, the U.S. District Court for Maryland, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the U.S. Supreme Court. Mr. Thompson was awarded the ABA, Section of State and Local Government Law Jefferson Fordham Advocacy Award in 2011.