

The 16th Annual National Institute on

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Program Description

This two-day National Institute will provide you with an expert perspective on negotiating business acquisitions. Panelists include nationally known mergers & acquisitions attorneys who will discuss all facets of the acquisition process, including techniques used in structuring and negotiating M&A deals; the tax and securities law aspects of business acquisitions; and the impact of recent legal and regulatory developments on M&A transactions.

The program will examine both fundamental and cutting-edge issues, with sessions addressing the following:

- The key business, financial, and legal terms of the acquisition agreement
- Special issues in asset acquisitions
- Tax considerations in M&A transactions.
- Acquisitions of public companies and related Delaware and securities law considerations
- An investment banker's perspective on M&A trends
- Recent developments, including the role of private equity buyers
- Ethical issues in M&A transactions

Interactive Mock Negotiation

This National Institute includes an extensive mock negotiation that will give you valuable insights on negotiating key representations, warranties, closing conditions and indemnification provisions in an acquisition agreement. Advance preparation is not needed for this program.

Past Participants Have Said

"This program featured the best panel and best moderators on the subject of negotiated business acquisitions I have ever heard."

"The mock negotiation of an acquisition agreement was extremely informative—it helped demonstrate the pitfalls to both buyers and sellers in language that is often considered boilerplate."

"Well-organized...valuable materials, excellent speakers."

"The panel of speakers is excellent; they are well-versed from a true practical perspective."

"As a practicing CPA, I learned ways to better help my clients in M&A."

"The 'open' discussion between panelists presenting both sides of the issues \dots went beyond the general aspects of fundamentals."

"The program was absolutely excellent from start to finish...The participants were generous with their perspectives and insights."

"Perhaps the best CLE program I've ever attended...loved the mock negotiation format."

"Great for new associates like myself."

"Great refresher for the experienced, great trainer for young attorneys."

"Excellent, experienced speakers who were engaging and informative – content was right to the point."

"I was impressed by the clarity of discussion and how concisely the information was presented."

"Excellent program. I've been doing transactional work for over 20 years and still learned valuable information on current practice tips and recent trends in private and public deals."

"This is the finest seminar I've attended. The back-and-forth exchange during the mock negotiation brought to life the importance of even the most standard contract provisions."

"This is a great program. It has already saved me a quarter million dollars in a pending transaction."

"This was a much better program than the competition and better value added."

"Program was an amazing blend of basics and special situations/practice advice. . . . [L] oved all the speakers! Great group."

"Best CLE presentation that I have ever attended."

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This new and updated second edition of the bestselling *Model Stock Purchase Agreement with Commentary* is a "must have" for any transactional lawyer. The model agreement, which is based on the hypothetical acquisition by a single corporate buyer of all of the capital stock of a privately-held U.S. company, is designed as a buyer's first draft. Each provision of the agreement is immediately followed by instructive commentary, which reflects the collaborative efforts of leading experts in drafting and negotiating acquisition agreements. The commentary explains the purpose of each provision, and, where applicable, contains a brief discussion of the law relevant to that provision. It also highlights those areas that may prompt objections by the sellers, and describes the rationale for taking more aggressive, or more tempered, positions during

the negotiations. In many cases, the commentary also sets forth the sellers' potential response to a provision proposed by the buyer. This edition also includes an extensive collection of helpful exhibits, ancillary documents, and appendices. A CD-ROM with the text of the agreement comes bound with the *Model Stock Purchase Agreement with Commentary*.

Product Code: 5070636

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Program Agenda

Day One Thursday November 10th

8:00 a.m. Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:45 a.m. Introduction

Richard E. Climan

9:00 a.m. The Basics: Acquiring a Privately Held Business for Cash

This session will address the various ways of structuring acquisitions of privately held businesses (including acquisitions of stock, acquisitions of assets, and mergers) and the corporate, tax, securities law, and other issues that must be considered in selecting among the alternative transaction structures.

Panelists: Richard E. Climan Jennifer Fonner DiNucci

Joel I. Greenberg Scott T. Whittaker

10:00 a.m. The Basics (cont'd): Acquiring a Privately Held Business for Stock

This session will focus on the special corporate, tax, securities law, and pricing issues that must be addressed when the acquiring company issues shares of its own stock as part of the purchase price in an acquisition.

10:45 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. Negotiating the Acquisition Agreement: Earnout Provisions; Representations and Warranties

The panelists, in the context of an interactive mock negotiation, will highlight the give and take between the buyer and sellers in the negotiation of the definitive agreement for the acquisition of a privately held business. They will address the negotiation and drafting of purchase price provisions, critical representations and warranties, closing conditions and indemnification provisions, and the interplay among these key provisions. They will also offer their insights on recent trends with respect to the negotiation of escrows, "material adverse change" clauses, "non-reliance" clauses and "sandbagging" provisions, as well as other issues of current importance to M&A dealmakers.

Panelists: Richard E. Climan Jennifer Fonner DiNucci

Nathaniel L. Doliner Joel I. Greenberg

Leigh Walton

12:30 p.m. Lunch

1:45 p.m. Negotiating the Acquisition Agreement (cont'd): Representations

and Warranties; Closing Conditions

3:15 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m. **Negotiating the Acquisition Agreement (cont'd):**

Indemnification Provisions

4:30 p.m. Special Issues in Asset Acquisitions

This session will highlight the special considerations that the parties must take into account when they choose to structure their transaction as a purchase of assets, rather than as a stock purchase or a merger. The panelists will address such matters as successor liability, stockholder approval, and fraudulent transfers. They will also discuss the contentious issues that can arise when the assets being

purchased comprise a separate division of the seller.

Panelists: Jennifer Fonner DiNucci Mark J. Gentile

Michael O'Bryan Scott T. Whittaker

5:30 p.m. Adjourn

Program Agenda

Day Two Friday November 11th

Acquiring a Public Company 9:00 a.m.

The panelists will describe how acquisitions of public companies differ from acquisitions of privately-held companies in the context of cash acquisitions as well as "stock-for-stock" transactions. They will discuss both one-step mergers and two-step acquisition structures involving tender offers, and will provide practical insights into compliance with applicable SEC regulations. A portion of the session will be devoted to advising a board of directors in considering the possible sale of a public company. The panelists will also review "deal protection" provisions that may be utilized in the acquisition of a public company, including "no-shop/no-talk" provisions, "break-up" fees, "match" rights, and stockholder support agreements. They will also discuss the impact of recent Delaware decisions on the negotiation of these critical provisions.

Panelists: Richard E. Climan

Joel I. Greenberg Mark J. Gentile David A. Katz

Eileen Nugent

10:15 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Acquiring a Public Company (cont'd)

12:15 p.m. Lunch

The Changing M&A Landscape: Trends and Recent Developments 1:30 p.m.

This panel will review the current state of play in the M&A arena and will analyze the impact of recent legislative, regulatory, and other developments on the way M&A deals are being structured and negotiated.

Panelists: Richard E. Climan Joel I. Greenberg

David A. Katz Eileen Nugent

Julie Silcock

Acquisitions by Private Equity Buyers 2:45 p.m.

After a period of relative inactivity, private equity buyers are once again playing a key role in the M&A marketplace. This session will examine how the transactions in which they participate differ from acquisitions by strategic buyers. The panelists will discuss financing structures (and their implications for deal structure), equity rollovers, "shell" buyers, and the need to accommodate exit strategies in the acquisition process.

Mark J. Gentile Panelists: Joel I. Greenberg

David A. Katz Eileen Nugent

Break 3:30 p.m.

Ethical Issues in M&A Transactions 3:45 p.m.

Ethics Credit Requested

This session will examine some of the challenging ethical issues that can arise **ETHICS** in the context of M&A transactions. The panelists will discuss issues relating to truthfulness in negotiations, the so-called "anti-contact" rule, and conflicts of interest that may exist between various categories of selling stockholders. In this context, the panelists will address Rules 1.7, 4.1 and 4.2 of the Model Rules of

Professional Conduct.

Panelists: Michael O'Brvan Jennifer Fonner DiNucci Nathaniel L. Doliner Scott T. Whittaker

4:45 p.m. **Adjourn**

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