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Loyola's IP Special Focus Series Examines Conflicts of Interest

Los Angeles – The Loyola Law School IP Special Focus Series event, Conflicts of Interest when Representing Multiple Clients and How to Spot and Handle Them, will explore ways for practitioners to fine-tune their judgment skills in identifying and solving conflict-of-interest issues. The seminar will offer constructive advice to private practitioners on dealing with "subject matter" conflicts and on how clients view such conflicts. It will also provide helpful insight to in-house attorneys on how other in-house attorneys deal with these issues. The event will run from 11 am-2:15 pm on Friday, Nov. 30 on Loyola's downtown LA campus.

The seminar, which opens with a keynote address from Diane L. Karpman, Karpman & Associates, will be divided into two panel sessions. The first session, Identifying Conflicts of Interest, will provide useful tips from a panel of in-house attorneys and private practitioners on how to work with clients to handle this troublesome issue. It will also address the proper way to obtain a conflict waiver. Panelists include Brian M. Berliner, O'Melveny & Myers LLP; Thomas J. Daly, Christie Parker & Hale LLP; Raj G. Sardesai, Avery Dennison Corp.; and Matthew L. Wein, Amgen Inc. Loyola Law School Professor Paul T. Hayden will moderate.

The second panel session, Resolving Conflicts of Interest, will feature in-house attorneys offering direction on how to approach and work with clients when a conflict waiver is under consideration. Panelists include David K. Djavaheerian, Tessera, Inc; Karpman; James D. Laur, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center; and Joseph K. Liu, Advanced Medical Optics Inc. Loyola Law School Professor John T. McDermott will moderate.

Further details, including a complete schedule and registration forms, are available online at events.lls.edu/ip-focus/07/ethics. Members of the media are invited to attend free of charge. RSVP to Brian Costello, deputy director of communications, at brian.costello@lls.edu.

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