

March



Congratulations to **Burt Cohen** who was recently appointed by the State of Connecticut to the Broadband Internet Coordinating Council.



Congratulations to **John W. Gahan, III!** Mr. Gahan has been invited to join the National Housing and Rehabilitation Association's Board of Directors beginning in March 2010. **Mr. Gahan** will receive his official appointment at the NH&RA Annual Meeting March 10 – 13 in Miami Beach, Florida, where he will also be speaking on the recently enacted Massachusetts law aimed at preserving publicly-assisted affordable housing.



Kathleen E. Connolly will be teaching a course on record-keeping for land trusts at the Massachusetts Land Trust Coalition's Annual Conference on March 27.



On March 5, **Edward B. Whittemore** served as co-chair and as a panelist discussing "Current & Choice Corporate Finance Issues" as part of "A Day with the SEC," a biannual event sponsored by WESFACCA (the Westchester/Southern Connecticut Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsels), at the Woodway Club in Darien, CT. SEC Commissioner Elisse Walter, SEC Division of Enforcement Deputy Director Joan McKown, SEC Division of Corporate Finance Director Meredith Cross, and several other distinguished speakers were featured in the lively discussion. **Richard McGrath** helped conceive of the program for WESFACCA and served as its Program Chair for many years.

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On February 20 – 23, **Robert E. Kaelin** and **Thomas S. Vangel** were both faculty members at the Norton's Bankruptcy Litigation Institute. **Mr. Kaelin** spoke on "Ponzi Scheme Litigation" and "*Recent Developments in Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Cases*" and **Mr. Vangel** lectured on "*Effective Cross Examination of Experts.*"



On February 17 – 19, **Martha Everett Meng** and **Heather O. Berchem** were both speakers at the American Health Lawyers' Association Long Term Care and the Law program in Miami. **Ms. Meng** addressed risk management and other legal issues related to dementia care in the assisted living setting. **Ms. Berchem** spoke about the complexities of appealing denials of payment by TriCare (a program much like Medicare, for members of the armed forces).



Connecticut Governor M. Jodi Rell has declared that the year 2010 be the year that the State of Connecticut celebrates its 375th Birthday. **David J. McQuade** was asked by Governor Rell to serve on the "375 Commission." The Commission shall develop recommendations for events, festivities, fundraising and commemorative memorabilia. On Wednesday, February 17, **Mr. McQuade**, along with **Francis J. Brady**, and **Andrew W. Lord** attended the launch of Connecticut's 375th Birthday at a ceremony held at the Connecticut State Library.



Louis B. Todisco has been elected to the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Directors for Community Solutions, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation based in Windsor, Connecticut, which provides services to persons in the criminal justice system and persons at risk of involvement with the criminal justice system.

On February 11, **Mr. Todisco** presented on "*Corporate Compliance Programs*" to approximately 100 attendees at the Association for Long Term Care Financial Managers program at the CSCPA Education Center in Rocky Hill.

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On February 27, **Kathleen E. Connolly** taught a full-day seminar, Advanced Environmental Law, at the MACC (Massachusetts Association of Conservation Commissions) Annual Environmental Conference, the largest environmental conference in New England. The course is a credit-course for municipal conservation agents and board members.



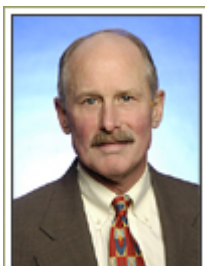
On February 24, **Gregory A. Sharp** gave a presentation on recent developments in stormwater permitting, DEP's proposed Water Quality Standard revisions, and the proposed Streamflow Regulations at the Connecticut Bar Association Environmental Law Section's meeting.



On February 11, **Umar F. Moghul** spoke at Columbia University on Islamic Finance; panelists included Dr. Jeffrey Sachs of the Earth Institute and Deborah Spar, President, Barnard College.



On February 4, **Natale A. Messina** gave a presentation at the CSPCA Trust, Estate & Gift Tax Committee meeting. His presentation covered updates from the 44th Annual Heckerling Institute on Estate Planning, which he attended January 25 – 29.



On February 4, **Gregory A. Sharp** and **Andrew W. Lord** gave a presentation on new state and federal initiatives concerning regulation of stormwater from constructions sites to the Developer's Council of the Homebuilders of Connecticut.