

## **National ethics and compliance experts to convene at the University of Houston Law Center**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ethics and Compliance Symposium to be held June 6

**May 23, 2013** – A diverse group of industry professionals will discuss issues ranging from food safety, data security and privacy to operating in Latin America during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ethics and Compliance Symposium on June 6 at the University of Houston Law Center. This one-day conference will provide attendees with practical advice for and real-world examples of the matters facing ethics and corporate compliance officers. The event is sponsored by Center for Consumer Law.

“Ethics and compliance challenges affect an organization’s performance, its reputation and ultimately, its survival,” said Interim Dean Richard Alderman, director of the Center for Consumer Law. “Our objective is for this symposium to shed light on the many issues present in the field of corporate compliance today.”

Author and social scientist Philip Tetlock will begin the conference with an explanation of political risk forecasting using various data points. His framework will help companies understand how to accurately utilize external and internal data to create a risk-based compliance program.

The conference will include sessions discussing privacy, hospitality, using technology in compliance programs, global compliance challenges and joint venture issues. There will also be a Latin American–focused panel with speakers from government-controlled companies. Additionally, Morgan Lewis will present code-of-conduct benchmarking data from Fortune 500 companies in the form of interactive polling questions that will highlight changes from 2011–2012 codes of conduct, including which companies have changed facilitation payment, social media and trade control policies.

The symposium will feature a faculty of leading in-house compliance lawyers from industries ranging from retail to energy, as well as the following speakers:

- George J. Terwilliger, III, Co-Chair of Morgan Lewis's White Collar Litigation & Government Investigations Practice and former Deputy U.S. Attorney General, Acting Attorney General and federal prosecutor
- Lauren Stevens, former GlaxoSmithKline in-house lawyer who was accused of obstruction of justice by the DOJ but vindicated at trial when the judge threw out the government's case

- Philip Tetlock, Leonore Annenberg University Professor in the University of Pennsylvania's School of Arts and Sciences (Psychology) and Wharton School (Management)

Attorneys in attendance will be awarded 5.9 hours of continuing education credit including 1.8 hours of ethics. The symposium will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Law Center. Click [here](#) to register.

### **For more information**

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