

Labor Relations in Challenging Times

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October 22, 2009

Woodcliff Hotel, Fairport, NY -- www.woodcliffodge.com

- 8:15 – 9:00 **Registration/continental breakfast**
- 9:00 - 9:15 **Welcome**
- 9:15 - 10:30 **Panel - "Workplace Implications of Health Care Reform"** with
Bruce Popper (SEIU 1199), Dan Farberman (Buffalo News), Dr. Roger Oskvig (Strong
Memorial Hospital), Joe Wild (MVP), Christopher Fiorello and Charles Catalino
(Employee Benefit Concepts)
- 10:30 – 10:45 **Break**
- 10:45 – 11:45 **Steven Greenhouse, NY Times Reporter & Author of *The Big Squeeze***
- 11:45 – 12:15 **Panel of Federal/State Agencies**
NLRB, Rhonda Ley, Director of Region 3
PERB, Gregory Poland, Director and Chief Regional Mediator of the Buffalo Office
FMCS, Mary Kluczycski, Mediator
NYS Mediation Board, Bruce Newman, Mediator
- 12:15 – 1:15 **Lunch**
- 1:15 - 2:15 **Workshops (select one)**
Accessing the NLRB
Rhonda Ley, Regional Director, NLRB
Update on Employment Law
James Holahan and Colin Leonard, Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC
Nathaniel Lambright and Chris Getaz, Blitman & King, LLP
The Labor Beat
Steven Greenhouse, New York Times
- 2:15 – 2:30 **Break**
- 2:30 - 3:30 **Workshops (select one)**
Trends in Employee Benefits
Christopher J. Fiorello & Charles T. Catalino, Employee Benefit Concepts
Joseph Wild, MVP
Wage and Hour Update
Patrick Solomon, Thomas & Solomon, LLP
Andrew Cahill, NYS Department of Labor
Joe Braccio, Hodgson Russ
Promoting Violence-Free Workplaces
Sandra King, Practical Consultants LLC
- 3:30 **Closing Remarks & Evaluation**

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Cancellation Policy: Written notification of your withdrawal from this workshop must be received 3 days prior for a refund. Substitutions are always an option.

Pre-Conference Reception: LERA is hosting a reception the evening of Oct 21 in Woodcliff's Genesee Suite (room 675); 6:00-8:00 p.m. All conference participants are welcome to stop by!

Those who will be staying over the night of Oct 21 should reference the Cornell conference in order to get the special room rate of \$139. Directions to Woodcliff are available at their website, www.woodcliff lodge.com.