

Mari Henry Leigh, Esq. to Speak at 2010 Council on Litigation Management Conference

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New York, NY - - (PR.COM) - - 02/01/10 - - Mari Henry Leigh, Esq., Partner; Chair, The Legal Audit Group at Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson, LLP, has been selected to speak at the 2010 Annual Conference of the Council on Litigation Management (CLM). Ms. Leigh is slated to speak on the topic “Keeping The Lid On Litigation Costs: Strategies That Work.”

The conference will be one of the largest, fully inclusive defense industry conferences in 2010. It will be held March 24-26 in Ponte Vedra, Florida, will feature approximately 150 speakers and is expected to draw attendees from around the world. Registration for the conference is now open at www.litmgmt.org/annual-conference.

Mari Henry Leigh serves on the Advisory Board of the Council for Litigation Management (CLM) and is the Education Chair. Mari is a partner in the law firm of Meckler Bulger Tilson Marick & Pearson LLP. For more than 25 years, Mari has been engaged in litigating and providing counsel in a wide variety of complex civil litigation matters, including: federal antitrust, copyright, trade secret and trademark infringement claims, RICO, common-law fraud and commercial contract matters, insurance and insurance related claims, and product and professional liability claims. A substantial portion of Mari’s practice focuses on litigating, counseling and providing opinions and analysis on the reasonableness and allocation of attorneys’ fees. She has conducted or supervised more than 200 legal fee audits and/or bill reviews of fees in litigation involving an aggregate of approximately \$2 billion in legal costs. Currently, Mari serves as the Chair of MBT’s Legal Audit Group, one of the Nation’s largest practice groups of its kind. Mari has conducted or supervised more than 150 legal fee audits and/or bill reviews of fees in litigation involving an aggregate of approximately \$1.5 billion in legal costs. Mari is recognized as one of Illinois’ “Leading Women Lawyers” as well as one of the “Leading Lawyers” in the areas of commercial litigation. She was also interviewed on the topic of “Runaway Legal Costs” for Sky Radio’s program entitled: “*America’s Most Influential Women.*” Mari is admitted to the Illinois and Ohio State Bars, and their respective federal counterparts. She is also the past Chair of the Chicago Bar Association’s Professional Fees Committee, where she serves as a hearing officer and an arbitrator involving client complaints regarding member and non-member professional fees. Mari has served as an adjunct instructor in trial advocacy and legal research and writing, and is a frequent speaker and author on litigation management, legal ethics, attorney fee disputes, independent counsel and the attorney-client privilege.

About the Council on Litigation Management

The Council is a nonpartisan alliance of thousands of insurance companies, corporations, general counsel, risk managers, claims adjusters and attorneys. Through education and collaboration, its goals are to create a common interest in the representation by firms of companies, and to promote and further the highest standards of litigation management in pursuit of client defense. To learn more about the Council, please visit www.litgmt.org or contact Adam Potter.