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**EIGHTH ANNUAL HOSPITALITY LAW CONFERENCE MAJOR  
SUCCESS**

*300 Industry Leaders and Attorneys from Around the World Gathered for One-of-a-Kind  
Educational and Networking Opportunities*

**HOUSTON, Texas – Feb. 23, 2010** –HospitalityLawyer.com, the industry’s web-based resource for legal, safety, and security solutions, today announced that the 2010 Hospitality Law Conference was an incredible success, receiving excellent reviews from attendees.

Three hundred attendees from across the country and around the world attended this one-of-a-kind conference in Houston, Texas. The two-and-a-half-day conference focused on the following core topics:

- Current Real Estate Issues in the Industry
- Information Privacy & Protection, including PCI-DSS
- Lodging & Fundamentals of Hospitality Law
- Food & Beverage
- Labor & Employment; and
- Loss Prevention & Risk Management.

“The conference gives attendees the information and resources they need to stay ahead of the fast-changing laws pertinent to our industry,” said Stephen Barth, founder of HospitalityLawyer.com, noting conference attendees include in-house counsel, private attorneys, loss-prevention personnel, risk managers, and hospitality owners and operators. “In today’s economy, it is even more imperative that all levels of management – legal, loss prevention, risk management, and human resources – come together to stay current on issues that are critical to success in the hospitality field. Our conference is the only one that accomplishes this,” Barth continued.

For a complete list of conference sessions, please [click here](#).

**Attendee Feedback**

The Annual Hospitality Law Conference also garnered some of the highest participant survey ratings. Echoing Stephen’s remarks on the relevance of this conference were participants’ insights.

Attorney Christian Stegmaier, with Collins & Lacy, said the conference is a “must do” for him. He continued, I “always learn a great deal about the latest trends in hospitality best practices from my time at this conference.”

Chip Merlin, Founder of Merlin Law Group, and presenter at the conference, said “It is a wonderful conference. I highly recommend that general counsel, risk managers, loss prevention managers, franchisees, developers and outside counsel of hotels, resorts, condo hotels, timeshare rentals, restaurants, bars and other businesses that provide a place to eat or stay attend this very specialized legal conference.”

**Conference Awards:**

HospitalityLawyer.com also recognized **Albert Pucciarelli** and **John Szczepanski** as recipients of the Anthony G. Marshall Hospitality Law Award and the Thomas G. Davis Loss Prevention Lifetime Achievement Award, respectively.

The Awards recognize individuals who are making a lasting contribution to the hospitality industry.

For the complete release on Pucciarelli and the Marshall Award, please [click here](#). For the complete release on Szczepanski and the Thomas G. Davis Award, please [click here](#).

**Conference Coordinators and Sponsors:**

HospitalityLawyer.com's 2010 Conference is presented in coordination with the General Counsel Committee of the AH&LA, the International Bar Association, the Conrad N. Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management, and the Loss Prevention Management Institute.

HospitalityLawyer.com's platinum sponsors for the 2010 Conference are: Arthur J. Gallagher, BDO Consulting, Cardiac Science, and Protect-a-Bed.

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