

National Labor Law Symposium to Review Impact on Employers of Changing Workplace Laws

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ATLANTA, GA (September 21, 2009) - The national labor and employment law firm Fisher Phillips and *InsideCounsel* magazine announced they have joined together to produce the first National Labor Law Symposium.

The "*InsideCounsel* / Fisher Phillips 2009 National Labor Law Symposium" will be held at the Chicago Westin O'Hare on November 17 and will focus on upcoming changes to labor laws and their expected impact on employers. The program is free for qualified in-house counsel and other senior corporate executives.

Scheduled speakers include:

- Ronald Meisburg, general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board
- Bruce Raynor, president of Workers United
- Edwin G. Foulke Jr., former Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA
- Various In-House Counsel
- Attorneys from Fisher Phillips and Heenan Blaikie

The Symposium will cover a variety of topics including:

- Changing direction of the NLRB
- How the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service's role could expand under the Employee Free Choice Act
- How unions plan to be more successful in organizing as policies change under the Obama Administration
- What other companies are doing to prepare for passage of EFCA and subsequent threat of union organizing
- How to implement a communication and education program to prepare for union organizing under EFCA

- Corporate campaigns and neutrality agreements update
- Tips from up North: What U.S. companies can learn from Canada's shortened election timeframes (Presented by the Canadian law firm Heenan Blaikie)

InsideCounsel Publisher Tom Duggan said: "We have been able to draw from the government, unions and leading law firms to bring together a program that will help senior in-house counsel prepare their companies for the inevitable changes in our nation's workplace laws. This is a one day event where corporate lawyers will be able to exchange ideas with their peers as well as interact with leaders who will be at the forefront of change."

Roger Quillen, chairman and managing partner of Fisher Phillips added: "Our traditional labor attorneys have been closely monitoring and preparing for the potentially sweeping changes in labor laws. This event combines their knowledge, experience and deep connections with that of government, union and corporate professionals who will be involved in implementing many of the changes. Attorneys who work in corporate legal departments have the opportunity to commit a single day and benefit from many months of legal research and hard work."

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