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NCSLA Goes to Washington, D.C. In June 2012!

The National Conference of State Liquor Administrators, Incorporated (NCSLA) will convene June 20-24th at the world-famous Mayflower Renaissance Hotel for its 2012 annual meeting and conference. Washington, D.C. is the host city for the Conference.

This year's conference features two opportunities to participate in two (2) full hours of Ethics presentations. So you will not want to miss either of the TWO presentations, whether or not you need Ethics credits as part of your state bar membership's Continuing Legal Education requirement.

In the first presentation the current (and soon-to-be retired) TTB General Counsel Robert M. Tobiasen and Senior Counsel O. René Fodrea will share a presentation, developed in the course of their careers in the Federal Executive Branch, titled **"Thank You, But No Thanks . . . Here Is Why I Have to Say No."** Whether it's dealing with members of the regulated community who offer a gift, dinner, a drink, cup of coffee, or a job, seeking outside employment, avoiding financial conflicts of interest, or maintaining impartiality, these issues can become problematic and complicated. Messrs. Tobiasen and Fodrea comprise the senior ethics team at TTB and regularly advise TTB employees at all levels about how they can avoid being named in that terrible news article above the fold on the front page of the *Washington Post*.

For those of you wise enough to defer returning home until Sunday morning when the conference ends, you will receive your just reward with a second Ethics Hour that promises to be both educational and entertaining.

Craig Vanderland, Chief Financial Officer of the Virginia Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, will lead a discussion about **"Creative Ethics: Internal Compliance on a Tight Budget."** You will participate in an ABC new employee orientation program, and may even be sworn in as a member of the Ethics Posse!

In any case, at this one excellent Conference most of you should be able to satisfy a full year's worth of Ethics credits as part of your state bar membership's Continuing Legal Education requirement.

Stay tuned for more exciting updates on the NCSLA 2012 Annual Conference. Start making your plans NOW to come to Washington, DC from June 20-24, 2012 for this year's annual meeting of the NCSLA! This year's meeting starts with the welcoming event on Wednesday evening, followed by the programs running each day from Thursday morning through Sunday morning. Visit www.ncsla.org to make hotel reservations now, and watch for more details on conference registration to be broadcast next week.

About National Conference of State Liquor Administrators, Incorporated:

A national organization of state alcohol beverage regulators, founded June 19, 1934, in Chicago, Illinois, whose purposes are to promote the enactment of the most effective and equitable types of state alcoholic beverage control laws; devise and promote the use of methods which provide the best enforcement of the particular alcoholic beverage control laws in each state; work for the adoption of uniform laws insofar they may be practicable; promote harmony with the federal government in its administration of the Federal Alcohol Administration Act; and strive for harmony in the administration of the alcoholic beverage control laws among the several states. Visit www.ncsla.org for more information.