

Searle Civil Justice Institute Public Policy Conference
Third-Party Financing of Litigation: Civil Justice Friend or Foe?
New York Athletic Club, 180 Central Park South, New York, NY
October 5-6, 2011

Wednesday, October 5, 2011

Introduction:

1:00 p.m.

Olympic Suites 2-4, 10th Floor (all sessions)

Geoff Lysaught, *Deputy Executive Director, Law & Economics Center*

Session 1:

1:15 – 2:30

Third-Party Financing of Litigation: Separating Fact from Fiction

Moderator: Geoff Lysaught, *Deputy Executive Director, Law & Economics Center*

Cento Veljanovski, *Managing Partner, Case Associates; IEA Fellow in Law and Economics; Adjunct Senior Research Fellow, Centre for Regulatory & Market Analysis, University of South Australia*

George Barker, *Director, Centre for Law and Economics, The Australian National University*

David Abrams, *Assistant Professor of Law, Business, and Public Policy, University of Pennsylvania Law School*

Richard Fields, *Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Juridica Capital Management, Ltd.*

Roger Parloff, *Senior Editor, Fortune Magazine*

2:30 – 2:45

Break

Session 2:

2:45 – 4:00

Implications of Third-Party Financing for the U.S. Civil Justice System

Moderator: Henry Butler, *Executive Director, Law & Economics Center*

Joanna Shepherd Bailey, *Associate Professor of Law, Emory University School of Law*

Geoff Lysaught, *Deputy Executive Director, Law & Economics Center*

Alan Morrison, *Lerner Family Associate Dean for Public Interest and Public Service, George Washington University Law School*

Kirby Griffis, *Partner, Hollingsworth LLP*

4:00 – 4:15

Break

Session 3:

4:15 – 5:30

European Perspectives: Potential Complications in Light of Civil Justice System Differences

Moderator: Geoff Lysaught, *Deputy Executive Director, Law & Economics Center*

Ianika Tzankova, *Professor of Comparative Mass Litigation, Tilburg Law School*
Jef De Mot, *Professor of Law, Center for Advanced Studies in Law and Economics at Ghent University*
Alexander Bruns, *Director of the Institute for German and Foreign Civil Procedural Law, Freiburg University*
Marco de Morpurgo, *Associate, Covington & Burling, LLP*

5:30 – 6:30

Reception and Heavy Hors D'oeuvres, *Presidents Room, 10th Floor*

Thursday, October 6, 2011

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast, *Olympic Suites 2-4, 10th Floor*

Session 1:

9:00 – 10:15

Economic, Ethical, and Institutional Considerations

Moderator: Scott Hazelgrove, *Policy and Research Associate, Law & Economics Center*

Michelle Boardman, *Assistant Professor of Law, George Mason University School of Law*

Jeremy Kidd, *Visiting Assistant Professor of Law, George Mason University School of Law*

Keith Hylton, *Professor of Law, Boston University School of Law*

Tony Sebok, *Professor of Law, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law*

10:15 – 10:30

Break

Session 2:

10:30 – 12:00

Policy Implications

Moderator: James Cooper, *Director of Policy and Research, Law & Economics Center*

Mary Terzino, *Attorney and Consultant*

Richard Fields, *Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Juridica Capital Management, Ltd.*

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