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SAVE THE DATE! December 5

CLR's Annual Celebration @ Mexicantown Mercado



Community Legal Resources invites you to enjoy cocktails and appetizers at our 8th Annual Celebration and Recognition Event from 5:30 - 7:00pm on Tuesday, December 5. We will present awards to our outstanding volunteer lawyers and law firms and hear from the nonprofit organizations that have benefited from their extraordinary service.

This year's event will also celebrate the much-anticipated opening of the Mexicantown Mercado, a business incubator and public market developed by the nonprofit Mexicantown Community Development Corporation at the foot of the Ambassador Bridge in southwest Detroit. Local food and music will be featured! Invitations will be mailed later this month.

New publications available at www.clronline.org

Visit CLR's new website at www.clronline.org for information about our programs and services and to access publications and other information available for download.

Several new publications are now available including:

- [Title and Title Insurance: A Brief Summary of What to Expect](#)
- [CDBG Briefing Paper \(prepared for Community Development Advocates of Detroit\)](#)
- [Neighborhood Quality of Life: Addressing Nuisances, Code Violations and Other Conditions in Your Community](#)
- [Legal Considerations for Nonprofits Considering Collaboration, Alliances, Joint Ventures and Mergers](#)
- [Common Predatory Lending Transactions](#)



You can also access materials distributed at recent CLR workshops and seminars by visiting the [Fall 2006 Seminar Materials](#) section of our website.

Employment Law Seminar for Nonprofits November 2 Open to Nonprofit Executives and Board Members

KEY ISSUES IN EMPLOYMENT LAW FOR THE NOT-FOR- PROFIT AGENCY: NAVIGATING THE ROUGH ROAD AHEAD

Thursday, November 2, 9AM - 5PM

Location: Butzel Long PC, 150 W. Jefferson, downtown Detroit

Learn the fundamentals of the employment relationship including how to properly hire, evaluate, discipline and, when necessary, fire employees. Presenters will provide guidance concerning policies and procedures necessary to manage risk and provide support to defend against litigation. Managing sick or disabled employees and new laws protecting whistleblowers will also be addressed.

THERE IS NO CHARGE FOR THIS EVENT, and it includes breakfast, lunch and all materials. Further details, including location information and a full agenda, can be found [here](#). To register please contact Ms. Robin Luce at Butzel Long via [email](#) or fax (313- 225-7080). Include your name, title, organization, email, address and telephone.

The Pension Protection Act of 2006: Implications for nonprofit fundraising



Nonprofit organizations and their donors are encouraged be aware of new rules regulating charitable giving as defined in the Pension Protection Act of 2006, signed into law in August. A good summary of the implications for nonprofit charities can be found on the [Michigan Nonprofit Association website](#), and a more detailed legal analysis is at the [Council on Foundations website](#). [Independent Sector](#) has developed fact sheets that may also be helpful.

The legislation sets limits and otherwise regulates how certain charitable donations may be deducted on a donor's tax return, allows certain donors an IRA rollover to charities, tightens regulations on gifts of household goods, and so on. Organizations raising significant funds through individual contributions are especially encouraged to become familiar with these new provisions. To speak to an attorney about your organization's fundraising activities and the implications of this Act, please [contact us](#).

Contact CLR with any questions or legal needs

Request Assistance

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