

**REGIONAL PROGRAM OF THE 5TH AND 11TH CIRCUITS
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
FEBRUARY 17, 2018**

AGENDA

9:00am	Welcome	
9:05 am - 10:05 am	<p>Speech Protections and Black Lives Matter in the Workplace</p> <p>Speakers: Fellow and Professor Michael Z. Green (Texas A&M University School of Law) & Fellow Rod Tanner (Tanner and Associates, PC)</p>	From professional athletes to everyday employees in the private and public sector, worker protests as a result of the Black Lives Matter movement have raised a host of workplace law issues. Speakers will share their perspectives on whether the speech of the protesting workers and the speech of those responding angrily to the protesters should warrant legal protection under a host of laws including the National Labor Relations Act, Title VII, and the First Amendment.
10:05 – 10:15 am	<i>Break</i>	
10:15 am – 11:15 am	<p>Joint Employers, Medical Joins, and the Mark of the Beast: A Revelatory Year in Labor and Employment Law</p> <p>Speaker: William R. Corbett (Frank L. Maraist Professor of Law and Wex S. Malone Professor of Law at Paul Herbert Law Center, Louisiana State University)</p>	From the NLRB's joint employer decision to the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court's decision regarding the reasonable accommodation of medical marijuana to the Fourth Circuit's decision on reasonable accommodation of a religious employee's concerns over the Mark of the Beast, this presentation will cover the year's most significant developments.
11:15 – 11:30 am	<i>Break</i>	
11:30 am – 12:30 pm	<p>The NLRB's New Year: Observations from the Former Chairman</p> <p>Speaker: Fellow Philip A. Miscimarra (Former Chairman, National Labor Relations Board)</p>	The National Labor Relations Board experienced significant change during 2017, including two new Board Members, a new General Counsel, and the term of former Chairman Philip Miscimarra ended on December 16, 2017. In this session, former Chairman Miscimarra provides observations regarding his Board tenure, significant Board cases decided in recent years, and important issues that may confront the Board in 2018.
12:30 pm	<i>Lunch</i>	
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	<p>#MeToo: Navigating the New Landscape</p> <p>Speaker: Luther Wright, Jr., (Of Counsel, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, PC)</p>	The recent #MeToo movement has led to sexual harassment allegations against prominent public figures sometimes dating back decades, and started a significant cultural shift with respect to the subject of sexual harassment. This presentation will examine the impact of the movement on current law and corporate conduct and the impact it is expected to have in the future.