

ST. LOUIS CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

President's Message



I am stunned by the speed at which the year 2007 passed. This is my last message as President of the Chapter. I know I leave the Chapter leadership in excellent hands. Our proposed slate of officers in 2008 includes Ty Ulmer (Boeing) in the role of Chapter President. Ty will

have a great supporting cast. Kate Northcutt (Bunge) is the proposed President Elect, Jan Alonzo (UniGroup) and David Wilson (Drury Development) are the proposed Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. Many of our Committee Chairs will remain the same in 2008.

2007 represented a resurgence in the Chapter. Not only did membership increase over ten percent in number, members enjoyed additional benefits throughout the year. St. Louis is well into the top half of ACC Chapters nationally by number of members. Our member involvement as a Chapter is impressive. Our quality CLE Programs and networking events make us the envy of many Chapters.

In 2007, our members saw new formats for our CLE programs, as well as several new social and networking events and pro bono opportunities. Behind the scenes, we established several new partnerships, including an increased number of event sponsors. These partnerships will give the Chapter additional resources to enhance the quality of programs and events for our members in the future.

2008 will be an even better year for the Chapter. Already, we have nearly a full slate of CLE programs, including an exciting program in April, entitled Art and the Law, which will be held at the St. Louis Art Museum. We intend to have more membership and networking events in 2008. We hope you attend our Annual Meeting on Thursday, January 17, 2007 at Busch's Grove, where we will give you insight into more of the great opportunities available to you as a member of the ACC St. Louis Chapter.

Thank you for your support in 2007 and best of luck in 2008.

Dan Lett, President, ACC of St. Louis

Annual Dinner: You're Invited

ACC of St. Louis invites you to attend its Annual Dinner Meeting on Thursday, January 17, 2008, at Busch's Grove (9160 Clayton Road). The annual election of St. Louis Chapter officers and board members will be held at this meeting. The Annual Meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. Cost of attending the meeting is \$45.00 per person.

Reservations may be made by calling Jim Susman, Chapter Administrator, at 314/997-3390. Or you may make reservations on line at: <http://www.acteva.com/go/stlchapter>.

The proposed Slate of Officers, Board of Directors and Committee Chairs are listed on Page 2.

Mark Your Calendars!!!

The Art and the Law Friday Evening, April 11, 2008

The law is everywhere – even at the St. Louis Museum of Art! Both art and law reflect a culture and its times. Professor Michael Tansey of Rockhurst University has guided many tours through the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City focusing on Art and Economics, Art and Management, and Art and the Law. At the invitation of the St. Louis Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel, Professor Tansey will guide a group of ACC's members and their guests through the St. Louis Museum of Art – studying and comparing the art of different periods and locations and what it reveals about codes and laws governing human behavior and rights within those cultures. The event is scheduled for Friday evening, April 11, 2008 with a cocktail and hors d'oeuvres reception from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. and a tour from 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Unlike our usual lawyer-only events, members' spouses/significant others are invited to this fun and educational event! However, please note that Professor Tansey has asked that the size of the tour be limited in order to ensure quality and participation. Registration details will be e-mailed a month or so prior to the event but please remember to RSVP sooner, rather than later, as we expect there to be a waiting list.

The Boeing Company is sponsoring Professor Tansey's honorarium. The reception sponsor will be announced shortly.

2008 ACC of St. Louis Chapter Slate of Officers, Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

The following Slate of Officers will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, January 17, 2008. See details on Page 1.

Officers

President	Tyrus R. Ulmer
VP & President-elect	Kathleen S. Northcutt
Treasurer	Jan Robey Alonzo
Secretary	David E. Wilson

Directors (Continuing)

Michael R. Curoe (term expires 12/09)
Randy E. Hayman (term expires 12/09)
Kim Shaw Elliott (term expires 12/08)
Patricia Shea Larson (term expires 12/08)

Directors (to be elected)

Mary Shea Tucker (initial term to expire 12/10)
Timothy C. Mooney (initial term to expire 12/10)
Stephen T. Schrage (second term to expire 12/10)
Tim Luft (second term to expire 12/10)

Committee Chairs

Corporate Counsel Institute	Tyrus R. Ulmer
Externship Program	Thomas C. Burke
General Counsel Dinners	Sarah A. Siegel
Membership Committee	Randy E. Hayman
Pro Bono Committee	Chris Greensfelder, III
Social Committee	James R. Bowlin
Program Committee	Kim Shaw Elliott
Sponsorship Committee	Matt Geekie
Communications Committee	Patricia Shea Larson

Ex Officio Directors

Michael Bante	Ronald S. Gieseke
James R. Bowlin	Craig S. Ingraham
Thomas C. Burke	Daniel J. Lett
Thomas M. Byrne	Tamee V. Reese
Ann Smith Carr	Sarah A. Siegel

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Professor Tansey's passion and commitment to the arts has deep family roots: his father was an Art History lecturer and author, his mother a watercolor artist, and his brother Mark is an internationally-known artist based on the East Coast. Professor Tansey developed "The Art and the Law" tour in Kansas City for the Kansas City chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel and subsequently guided the law department of a major Kansas City corporation through the same tour.

Professor Michael Tansey is an economist trained at Harvard University (B.A. in 1970) and the University of Wisconsin (M.A. in 1975 and Ph.D. in 1978). He was a Brookings scholar (1976-77), received several awards for his teaching including the AMOCO award in 1981, and received an Honorary Degree of Humane Letters from the Kansas City University of Medicine and Biosciences (2003). While at Rockhurst, he has developed a curriculum for executive learning in international economics for Rockhurst's Executive Fellows Program, a course in leadership, a lecture series on leadership and the arts, distance learning courses, and an M.B.A. for doctors and medical students. From 2000 to 2003 he established and directed Rockhurst's new Health Care Leadership program. His professional publications range through industrial organization, economics of art and leadership, public choice and public policy, entrepreneurship and economic education. He has been the author of many publications for the teaching of undergraduate economics. His government experience includes three years of service in the U.S. Executive Office of the President (Office of Emergency Preparedness and Cost of Living Council- 1971-1973) in the President's price control program. His past business experience includes service on the board at Hillcrest Bank and consulting projects with corporations including Sprint, Valentine Radford, Kimberly Quality Care, the Kansas City Star, Union Station, Science City, and KCPL.



Pictured on the left
The St. Louis Art Museum
Photo from www.slam.org

St. Louis Corporate Counsel Institute – 2008

The St. Louis Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel and the In-House Counsel Committee of The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL) will co-sponsor the 27th annual St. Louis Corporate Counsel Institute (CCI) on Thursday, April 17, 2008. The full-day institute will be held at the Sheraton Westport Hotel, 900 Westport Plaza, St. Louis, and is designed to provide in-house counsel with the latest information on a broad spectrum of topics relevant to in-house practice.

If you have a great idea for a topic or speaker for the event, it's not too late. Send your ideas to any member of the St. Louis ACC Board and he or she will insure the idea gets passed along to the planning committee. Details on registration fees, the speakers and CLE credits will be posted soon on the ACC and BAMSL websites.

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December ACC Social at Schneithorst's



On December 11, 2007, members met for a social hour at Schneithorst's. Members enjoyed drinks, appetizers and camaraderie at the annual winter event. The ACC provides several social events like this throughout the year. Please be sure to join us next time.

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Upcoming ACC St. Louis Events

(Dates & Topics Subject to Change)

Tuesday, February 12

General Counsel Dinner

Speaker: William Poole

President of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

5:00 p.m.

St. Louis Club

Thursday, February 21

Deal or No Deal: the Fundamentals of Deal Making

4:00 p.m.

Sponsored by Polsinelli Shalton Flanigan Suelthaus

Thursday, March 20

Labor and Employment Update

4:00 p.m.

MAC West

Sponsored by Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale

Friday, April 11

Art and the Law through the Ages

Saint Louis Art Museum

5:00 p.m.

Sponsored in part by The Boeing Co.

Thursday, April 17

Corporate Counsel Institute

Sheraton West Port Hotel

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

June

To Be Determined

July

To Be Determined

September

To Be Determined

Thursday, October 16

Business and Intellectual Property Evaluations

4:00 p.m.

Sponsored by UHY Advisors

2007 At a Glance: The St. Louis Chapter of the ACC Provided Some Bang for Your Membership Buck

- We provided more than 14 hours of CLE credit (some events were free to members, while others had minimal fees)
- Topics included:
 - o Employed Attorneys and D&O Coverage
 - o E Discovery
 - o Interpreting, Drafting and Negotiating Common Contractual Terms
 - o Campaign Contributions and Lobbying
 - o Is The Corporate Attorney-Client Privilege Restored?
- Social Events Galore: We hosted 3 social events
- Area companies participated in the externship program between the ACC and St. Louis University.
- The ACC national website continues to be a valued resource to members. Services on the web include: INFOPAKS (filled with information about various areas of the law), In-house jobline (a listing of in-house jobs across the nation and a place for employers to post positions), Public Policy (a summary of various issues affecting the in-house bar), plus many more features.
- Check out the website at: www.acc.com

THE ST. LOUIS CHAPTER OF THE ACC WISHES TO THANK ALL OF OUR SPONSORS FOR 2007!

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Is the New I-64 Going to Affect You? Members Share Their Companies' Strategies

We sent this question to members and received dozens of responses. Area companies are taking a wide variety of actions to address concerns over the I-64 closures which started on January 2, 2008. Solutions range from “wait and see” to elaborate action plans.

Here is a sampling of the responses:

- Communication to all employees instructing them to use available resources to better plan their commute.
Resources include:
 - o <http://dist6.modot.mo.gov/mapmytrip/>
Route trips around any ramp, bridge or road closures by using the MoDOT “Map My Trip” tool.
 - o <http://www.gatewayguide.com/atis/index.html>
Check traffic, cameras and weather
 - o www.metrostlouis.org
Plan your trip using public transportation
 - o www.thenewi64.org
Provides complete information and maps relating to the new I-64 construction
 - o Call 5-1-1
Get up-to-the-minute traffic information on interstates or major state routes by dialing 5-1-1 from most cell phones; if 5-1-1 isn't available from your carrier, please dial 877-478-5511 (877-4STL-511)

- One company is offering to purchase Metro passes for employees, as well as offering a shuttle to and from a popular Metro stop and the office.
- Some companies are weighing their options and remain in the “planning” phase. Options under consideration include: telecommuting, alternative work schedules, having a shuttle bus to and from a metro station to the office, alternative work locations (i.e., reassigning employees to area offices closer to home).
- Many area organizations are offering flex-time around core hours. Some examples include:
 - o All employees must be present from 10-3, but can schedule an 8-hour work day around those core hours.
 - o All employees must be present from 9-3, but can schedule a 9-hour work day around those core hours, but must include 1 hour for a lunch break.
 - o Start work anytime between 6-10am and end work anytime between 3-7pm. Employees must pick one 9 hour Period (including 1 hour for lunch) and stick with it.
- Some companies are offering condensed work weeks with 10-hour days.
- Another popular solution has been to offer telecommuting.
- A few companies with offices East of the I-64 closure have opened conference centers and offices West of the I-64 closure to allow employees living in those areas to work from the West offices when possible.
- One company is offering a car-pooling incentive to its employees. The company will provide \$30 per month in gas reimbursement to those who car pool at least 3 days a week. This company is also offering \$60 public transportation passes.
- Employers are also offering solutions on a case-by-case basis as determined between employees and their supervisors.

Whatever the responses were, a common theme emerged. Throughout the I-64 closures, employers are going to have to be flexible and creative to solve employees concerns and problems relating to their new commutes to work. Almost all of the policies we reviewed included supervisor discretion in implementation to allow employers to maintain a productive work force. Thanks to everyone who shared their policies. The ACC is a great venue for your companies to learn important information relating to hot local issues like the I-64 closures.



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