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70th Annual Conference on Labor:
SHARING THE GAINS OF THE U.S. GLOBAL ECONOMY

June 8-9, 2017

All sessions will be held in Greenberg Lounge, Vanderbilt Hall, NYU School of Law, 40 Washington Square South, New York.

This Conference is supported in part by:
Day 1 – Thursday, June 8

8:30-8:40 a.m.  WELCOME
  Prof. Samuel Estreicher (NYU Law)

Session Moderator: Michael J. Gray (Jones Day)

8:40-9:40 a.m.  KEYNOTE ADDRESS
  Hon. Alexander Acosta, U.S. Secretary of Labor (subject to Senate confirmation)

9:40-11:00 a.m.  THE CHALLENGE OF TRADE
  Is “Hire American, Buy American” Legal?
  Renegotiating Labor Provisions of NAFTA and WTO
  Trade Adjustment Assistance/Wage Insurance Programs
  Prof. Alan Sykes (Stanford Law)
  Provost Lori Kletzer (Colby College)
  Moderator: Frederick Braid (Holland & Knight)

11:15 a.m.-
12:30 p.m.  THE CHALLENGE OF IMMIGRATION
  Do Immigrants Take Jobs Americans Want to Do?
  Rethinking Work Visa Programs
  Prof. George Borjas (Harvard Kennedy School)
  Daniel Costa (Economic Policy Institute)

Session Moderator: Mark Brossman (Schulte Roth & Zabel)

12:30-1:45 p.m.  LUNCHEON ADDRESS
  Hon. Philip Miscimarra, Chairman, National Labor Relations Board
  Introduction by Hon. Kent Hirozawa (former Member, NLRB)

1:45-2:45 p.m.  THE CHALLENGE OF AUTOMATION
  Automation and Jobs: The Evidence
  Policy Responses to Loss of Jobs and Wage Decline Due to Automation
  Prof. Milan Markovic (Texas A&M Law)
  Prof. Cynthia Estlund (NYU Law)
  Moderator: Zachary D. Fasman (Proskauer Rose)

3:00-5:15 p.m.  AN AGENDA FOR REFORM
  Infrastructure and Jobs
  Universal Basic Income, Wage Insurance
  Education/Training and Tax Policy for the New Economy
  Employee Ownership; Profit-Sharing
  Douglas Holtz-Eakin (American Action Forum; former Chief Economist, President George W. Bush’s Council of Economic Advisers)
  Prof. Robert H. Frank (Cornell University)
  Provost Katherine Newman (University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
  Prof. Richard Freeman (Harvard University)
  Prof. Clint Wallace (NYU Law; South Carolina Law)
Day 2 – Friday, June 9

Session Moderator: David Sherwyn (Cornell Hotel School)

8:45-10:00 a.m.  KEYNOTE ADDRESS
Hon. Victoria Lipnic, Acting Chair, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Introduction by Laurie Berke-Weiss (Berke-Weiss Law)

10:15 a.m.- EEO IN THE NEW ECONOMY
12:15 p.m.
Safe Harbor” Rules for the Chronic Unemployed
Measuring the Benefits of Diversity/Inclusion
Pay-Equity and Work Family Balance
Hon. Jenny Yang (EEOC)
Prof. Andrew Elmore (NYU Law)
Erika Ozer (Swiss Re)
Comments by Philip Berkowitz (Littler Mendelson)

12:15-2:00 p.m.  LUNCH
Steven Greenhouse (former labor and workplace correspondent for the New York Times)
Introduction by Kristina Yost (Jones Day)

2:00-4:00 p.m.  PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY ISSUES
Ethically Communicating with Putative Class and Collective Action Members
Rule 4.2 Issues (including Agency Bypassing Corporate Counsel
Ethical Issues for In-House Counsel
Professional Responsibility Abroad: Israel
Mark Risk (Law Office of Mark Risk)
Troy Kessler (Shulman Kessler)
Andrew Herzig (NBCUniversal) (invited)
[Shlomit Yanisky-Ravid (Ono Law School)]
Moderator: Pearl Zuchlewski (Kraus & Zuchlewski)

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