

Oil Spill In The Gulf Subject Of American Bar Association Webinar

Potential legal fallout will be addressed by tort and environmental law experts

CHICAGO, July 9, 2010 – On July 21, the legal implications of the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico will be explored in a special webinar. With the effects of the spill likely to take decades to remedy, the [American Bar Association Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section](#) has gathered some of the top experts on tort and environmental law to examine the legal landscape surrounding what is considered to be one of the greatest environmental disasters in history. “[Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: The Legal Fallout](#)” will be webcast from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., CT.

Participants with first-hand experience in mass torts, government, the insurance industry and environmental law will discuss the legal framework, including the Oil Pollution Act and the application of other laws; the role of the federal and state governments in regulating oil drilling and coordinating responses; the claims process; disaster response; insurance liability; pending and potential litigation, including civil remedies and economic damages; and insurance coverage and exclusions.

WHAT: **Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: The Legal Fallout**
WHEN: July 21, Noon ET (11 a.m. CT)
WHO: James Kosch, Newark, N.J.
Raymond Papperman, Cherry Hill, N.J.
Timothy Bergere, Philadelphia
Vincent Foley, New York
Allan Kanner, New Orleans

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Note to Editors: Reporters are welcome to participate in the webinar for free. To register, contact Debbie Weixl, ABA Division for Media Relations and Communication Services, 312/988-6126 or weixld@staff.abanet.org. Those wishing to interview panelists should contact Debbie Weixl.

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