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8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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PROGRAM

New York has seven federally recognized Indian tribes. Three of the tribes operate a total of four casinos. Two are operated by the Seneca Nation at Salamanca and in Niagara Falls. The Oneida Nation operates the Turning Stone Casino in Verona, and the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe runs the Akwesasne Mohawk Casino in Hogansburg. Additionally there are two tribes that have been recognized by the state but not by the federal government. There are also federally recognized tribes with reservations outside New York State which have their origin in New York State. Some of these tribes are seeking to conduct gaming in New York State.

With new statewide leadership in place, the State leaders and the tribes confront a challenging environment. A series of court decisions have questioned the legality of the Turning Stone Casino, the potential to place a casino in the City of Buffalo, and the ability of the tribes to bring land claim actions.

There are also questions over whether the federal government will take land into trust on behalf of the Oneida Nation, amend the rules governing Class II gaming, and change the off-reservation gambling provisions of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act. Questions to be addressed at the conference include:

- ◆ Will there be new casinos in the Catskills, and who will operate them?
- ◆ What will happen to Turning Stone Casino and to a potential Seneca Nation casino in Buffalo?
- ◆ What are the prospects for a change in federal law on off-reservation casinos, and what will be the effect of federal court decisions on Indian land claims and casinos in New York?

This program is appropriate for all attorneys who practice or who are interested in the fields of gaming law, state and local government law, and Indian law. It should also be of considerable interest to non-attorneys involved in the casino or gambling industries, and to all individuals who believe that they will be affected by Indian gaming in New York State.

AGENDA

- 8:30 a.m. Registration
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
- 9:15 a.m. Land Claims after *Cayuga*
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. Class II vs. Class III Gaming
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch
- 1:15 p.m. Land into Trust
- 2:45 p.m. Break
- 3:00 p.m. Negotiating Intergovernmental Agreements
- 4:30 p.m. Concluding Remarks

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