

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

# Planting The Seed: Emerging Trends And Opportunities In The Agriculture & Food Industries

## DATE

May 11, 2016

## SPEAKERS



**William W. Wales**  
Partner



**Robert R. Stead**  
Partner

## RELATED INDUSTRIES

Agriculture and Food

Barnes & Thornburg is pleased to invite you to Planting the Seed: Emerging Trends and Opportunities in the Agriculture & Food Industries.

Hear perspectives on growing trends in the agriculture and food industries from leaders of international companies, Purdue University and Midwest agriculture agencies. Also featured on the menu are a state of the market session and general counsel roundtable.

## Schedule

11:30 - noon: **Registration, Networking, Lunch**

Noon - 12:30: **Keynote: Advancing Modern Agriculture**

- Tim Hassinger, President and Chief Executive Officer, Dow AgroSciences LLC

12:30 - 1:45: **General Counsel Roundtable: A Conversation With Legal Leaders in the Ag, Food, and Animal Health Sectors**

- William Wales, Partner, Barnes & Thornburg (Moderator)
- John Kuckelman, General Counsel, Elanco Animal Health
- Rachel Lattimore, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, CropLife America
- Ken Isley, Vice President and General Counsel, Dow AgroSciences LLC
- Kathy Mayberry, General Counsel, AgReliant Genetics, LLC
- Scott Thayer, Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, Dawn Food Products

1:45 - 2:30: **Agriculture & Food Legal Issues: The National**

## Agriculture Law Center's Perspective

- Harrison Pittman, Center Director, National Agriculture Law Center

2:30 - 2:45: **Break**

2:45 - 3:40: **State of the Market: Private Equity and Venture Capital Roundtable - What Private Equity Firms Are Looking For**

- Robert Stead, Partner, Barnes & Thornburg (Moderator)
- Ron Meeusen, Managing Director of Cultivian Sandbox and Co-Founder and Managing Partner of Cultivian Ventures
- Rob Haile, Managing Director, Food, Agribusiness and Beverage Group, BB&T Capital Markets

3:40 - 4:30: **Driving Agribusiness Growth at the State Level**

- Alexandra Robinson French, Associate, Barnes & Thornburg (Moderator)
- Jamie Clover Adams, Director, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
- Ted McKinney, Director, Indiana State Department of Agriculture • Warren Goetsch, Deputy Director, Illinois Department of Agriculture

4:30 - 4:55: **Purdue Agriculture: Driving Innovation in Indiana Agbioscience**

- Karen Plaut, Senior Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Affairs and Director of Agricultural Research, Purdue (ARP)

4:55 - 5:00: **Wrap-Up**

**When:** Wednesday, May 11

**Time:** 11:30 a.m. (Eastern) Registration and Lunch | noon - 5 Program | 5 - 6 p.m. Reception

**Where:** Barnes & Thornburg | 11 S. Meridian Street | Indianapolis, IN



*Indiana CLE Application Pending*

Seminar, lunch and reception compliments of Barnes & Thornburg's Agriculture & Food Practice Group