

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

# Fall Litigation Seminar Series: Prevention & Intervention

## DATE

**October 22, 2014**

Join Barnes & Thornburg for a half-day seminar covering best practices for minimizing the cost and uncertainty of litigation, as well as dealing with the risks associated with toxic torts.

**When:** Wednesday, Oct. 22

**Time:** 8:30 a.m. - noon EST

**Where:** Windsor Park Conference Center | 4020 Edison Lakes Pkwy | Mishawaka, IN 46545

## Agenda

**8:30 a.m.** Registration

**9:00 a.m.** *Minimizing the Cost and Uncertainty of Litigation*

Kelly Hartzler, Tracy Knox and Alice Springer

Litigation can be costly and unpredictable. Regardless of the nature of the litigation, it needlessly diverts resources from advancing your company's business interests. Our litigation attorneys will provide insights on how to effectively limit your company's exposure to litigation. Our discussion will focus on actions that you can take now, before a dispute arises, to reduce the financial and business risk of the dispute, such as:

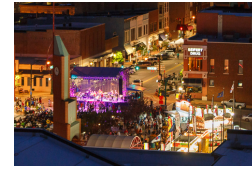
- preventive management of risk
- controlling cost
- use of indemnity agreements and other contracts to limit and shift liability
- use of alternative dispute resolution to avoid the courtroom
- managing consumer expectations in a manner that reduces the likelihood of dispute.

**10:30 a.m.** *Minimizing Your Business Risks in the Brave New World of Toxic Tort*

Joel Bowers, Brian Casey, Bob Devetski, and Kelly Hartzler

Discovering contamination on your business property doesn't have to be a legal mess. Our professionals will provide practical tips on buying and selling manufacturing sites and highlight Elkhart County rules on reporting contamination. We will discuss the pros and cons of Indiana remediation programs, updates to recent Indiana law on insurance coverage for

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contaminated properties, and the anatomy of a “toxic tort” lawsuit, including what you can do to minimize your business risk before and during suit.

**noon** *Lunch/Networking*

3 hours CLE pending