



Alston & Bird Invites You to Join Us For a Special Teleseminar Series

Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008

Assessing Progress, Identifying Challenges

During the month of December, Alston & Bird will continue its EESA teleseminar series with three new sessions focusing on the repercussions of the financial crisis and the ongoing debate over the need for new legislative and regulatory remedies. While the sessions will focus on specific topics, participants are welcome to ask questions concerning any aspect of EESA implementation. The sessions will be hosted by multiple members of Alston & Bird's Financial Markets Crisis Task Force.

EESA Teleconference Series Topics

Given the extreme fluidity of industry events, the specific topics covered in each session are subject to change. Registrants will receive timely updates of any program changes. Program changes will also be posted on our blog, <http://www.alston.com/financialmarketscrisisblog/>.

- **Credit Rating Agency Reform: History, Regulation and Market Developments**
Wednesday, December 3, 2008 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. EST

Speakers and Topics: Evan M. Drutman, Joseph Philip Forte and Carol M. McGee will discuss the historical contribution of the rating agencies to securitizations, the role of regulation in encouraging reliance on credit ratings and related U.S. and E.U. regulatory proposals, and legislative, regulatory and market developments addressing real and perceived conflicts of interest.

- **Credit Default Swaps: Where We Have Been, Where We are Headed**
Wednesday, December 10, 2008 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. EST

Speakers and Topics: Paul Architzel, Willa Cohen Bruckner and William S. Sugden will discuss emerging issues affecting credit default swaps, including what they are and how they are used, how the ISDA settlement protocol works, how they have been treated from a regulatory perspective, how they are treated in bankruptcy, and what we can expect going forward. The panel will also talk about central counterparties — how they work to reduce counterparty credit risk and how they compare to exchanges.

- **Regulatory Reform in the Aftermath of EESA and the Financial Crisis**
Wednesday, December 17, 2008 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. EST

Speakers and Topics: Mark Tenhundfeld, SVP, American Bankers Association's Office of Regulatory Policy, and Alston & Bird's Dwight C. Smith, III and Joseph E. Yesutis will discuss the likelihood and need for 2009 legislative initiatives designed to restructure the system of regulatory oversight of financial institutions. Mr. Tenhundfeld will address ABA principles that are likely to guide the Association's evaluation of regulatory reform bills.

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Please click [here](#) to register for any or all of these events
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Registrants will receive the call-in number and registration code in advance of each teleseminar.

All teleseminars will be held from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. EST

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