



Don Dagenais to Deliver National Seminar on Commercial Lease Escalations

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Lathrop Gage attorney Don Dagenais (Real estate - Kansas City) will be the featured speaker for the national teleconference "Commercial Lease Escalation Issues," Wednesday, December 2, 2009. The seminar will address the details of escalation clauses as they apply to rent, common area maintenance costs and security deposits.

The seminar will examine how landlords and tenants can protect themselves against rent risks and risks relating to property expenditures in an economy which is as unpredictable as the current one. It will address a variety of means whereby both landlords and tenants can try to protect themselves against the upsides and downsides of rent and property expenses, and explore the dynamics of negotiating such clauses.

Mr. Dagenais specializes in commercial real estate purchase, sale, mortgage, lease, development, management and land use projects for commercial developers, builders, investors, condominium developers, banks, mortgage lenders and property managers. His work includes handling all legal aspects of projects including apartment complexes, shopping centers, office buildings, condominiums, warehouse and industrial projects, retail stores, hospitals and nursing homes. He also works in the areas of construction law, zoning, foreclosures, and loan workouts; Americans with Disabilities Act requirements pertaining to commercial space; and all other related issues.

"Commercial Lease Escalation Issues" is a Lorman teleconference. Online registration or further information can be obtained at Lorman's web site.

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