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LOBBYING REFORM AND LEGISLATIVE ETHICS IN INDIANA

A luncheon seminar for legislators, lobbyists, attorneys, and citizens

Friday, December 5, 2008

11:00 a.m. – 1 p.m.

*IU School of Law-Indianapolis Atrium
Lawrence W. Inlow Hall, 530 W. New York St*

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Numerous scandals in Washington, D.C involving legislators and lobbyists prompted the Congress to pass the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007. State capitols around the country have also been rocked by elected officials charged with improper behavior, raising the importance of lobbying reform and legislative ethics on the agendas of lawmakers in many places.

Is Indiana immune from scandal? Do our lobbying disclosure and legislative ethics laws protect the public interest, or enable private concerns to mold state policy for their benefit? The governor advocated for a gift ban and cooling off law for the executive branch as one of his first legislative initiatives. Should he push for those same restrictions on the legislative branch during his second term?

Come participate in this important discussion on December 5th at the IUPUI Law School Atrium. The keynote speaker will be Bob Edgar, President of Common Cause, who will discuss the importance of open, honest and accountable government.

Panelists who will discuss the situation in Indiana are Dr. David Orentlicher, professor of legal ethics at IUPUI and a former legislator; former Indiana Secretary of State Joe Hogsett, and Indianapolis attorney Paul Ogden, who has been an outspoken advocate of the public interest in Indianapolis. The discussion will be moderated by Indianapolis radio host Abdul Hakim-Shabazz.



Bob Edgar

Bob Edgar is the president and CEO of Common Cause. Bob arrived at Common Cause in 2007 with a long history of leadership and public service that included 12 years in Congress. He was the general secretary of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA for seven years immediately before becoming Common Cause President. Elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1974 to represent the Seventh Congressional District of Pennsylvania, outside of Philadelphia, Bob was part of the congressional class nicknamed "the Watergate babies," those elected in the wake of the Watergate scandal and who led sweeping reforms of Congress.

Joe Hogsett

For more than 25 years, Joe Hogsett has played a prominent role in Indiana's civic life as a practicing attorney, counselor and senior advisor to three governors, and, most prominently, as Indiana's 57th Secretary of State (1989-1994). Mr. Hogsett is also the former chair of the Indiana Democrat Party, and is currently a Partner at Bingham McHale LLP.

David Orentlicher

David Orentlicher is the Samuel R. Rosen Professor of Law at IU School of Law-Indianapolis and the Co-Director of the William S. and Christine S. Hall Center for Law and Health. Before coming to the Law School in 1995, he served as the director of the Division of Medical Ethics at the American Medical Association. A graduate of both the Harvard Medical School and Harvard Law School, he is on the core faculty of the Indiana University Center for Bioethics and an adjunct professor of medicine at the Indiana University School of Medicine.

Paul Ogden

Paul Ogden is an associate with the Indianapolis law firm of Roberts and Bishop. He is also an adjunct political science instructor at the University of Indianapolis and has been a Republican candidate for Marion County Clerk and the Indiana House of Representatives. Last spring, Mr. Ogden sued the Indianapolis Capital Improvement Board to stop their plans to turn over proceeds from the sale of public property to private entities.



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