

ALSB Providence Conference
August 3-7, 2020
Guest Speakers



Lawrence B. Wiseman: Executive-in-Residence and Interdisciplinary Section

Lawrence B. Wiseman will give concluding remarks at the UConn Preconference Summit on Excellence in Business Law on Tuesday at 8:30AM-12:30PM. He will also be the speaker at the Interdisciplinary Section Breakfast 7:30-9:00AM on Thursday. Mr. Wiseman is the Head of Derivatives, Markets Surveillance at HSBC Global Banking and Markets London. Prior to working at HSBC, he worked at BP in their foreign exchange and compliance department, at Deutsche Bank in global central compliance, and as a senior associate of forensics and investigations at PwC.

Amanda Herron: Law for Accountants Section

Amanda Herron, a PwC Partner, will address the Law for Accountants Section Lunch on Thursday 12:30-3:20PM and then serve on a panel with the ALSB AICPA Liaison Linda Christiansen as the Executive-in-Residence. Amanda is a partner with PwC and US leader for Power & Utilities Internal Audit, Risk Management & Compliance solutions. Amanda's experience spans enterprise risk management, internal audit, regulatory compliance, integrated governance risk and compliance program design and management. Amanda administers PwC's annual Power & Utilities Risk and Assurance roundtable, bringing leading practices to industry chief auditors and chief risk officers. She has authored several thought leadership articles on hot topics such as capital projects, energy trading and risk management, IT security/data privacy, customer information systems and billing, customer digital, AMI/smart meter, Dodd-Frank Act, integrating lines of defense in a utility environment, and use of GRC technology. Amanda's utilities industry experience is extensive; throughout her career, she has served large multi-national utilities, independently owned utilities, public power authorities, municipalities, and cooperatives. Amanda has a bachelor's degree in Echols Disciplinary Studies from the University of Virginia and a Master of Accounting Degree from Miami University.

Andrew Lehrer: Sports and Entertainment Law Section

Andrew Lehrer is the Associate Legal Counsel for The Kraft Group and the section luncheon speaker on Friday 12:00-1:30PM. Mr. Lehrer works as primary In-House Counsel for the New England Patriots and New England Revolution, working with these teams in various legal capacities including marketing and sponsorship deals, business development, and broadcast licensing. Prior to working with The Kraft Group, he was an intern for the Honorable O. Rogeriee Thompson of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit.

Tony Menendez: Ethics Section

Tony Menendez is the acclaimed whistleblower regarding Halliburton. He will be speaking at the Ethics Section Luncheon on Friday 12:30-3:20PM. Tony joined LMU in fall 2019 as the George A. Dasaro Clinical Assistant Professor of Accounting. Tony teaches auditing and fraud examination courses. His other research and teaching interests include business ethics. Tony is best known as the “Accountant Who Beat Halliburton” and is widely recognized for his decade-long legal battle with the oil giant as a corporate whistleblower under Sarbanes-Oxley. Despite having no formal legal training, he prevailed in the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals as a pro-se litigant. Ultimately, his case has resulted in significantly increased protections for all corporate whistleblowers. Tony brings nearly 25 years of professional experience to LMU and provides forensic accounting and litigation consulting services to attorneys in complex nationally litigated cases involving allegations of improper accounting and financial reporting. Tony has held senior positions in both the public and private sectors. He is the former controller of U.S. sales, service and marketing for General Motors where he oversaw over \$100 billion in annual revenues and a former audit executive with Ernst & Young where he provided assurance services to entrepreneurial and emerging growth companies. He is a certified public accountant and certified fraud examiner. A native of Texas, Tony earned a master’s degree in accounting from Texas A&M University-Commerce and a bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of Houston. In 2017, he was honored with the Accounting Exemplar Award from the American Accounting Association for his notable contributions to professionalism and ethics in accounting.

Lee Buchheit: International Section

Lee Buchheit will address the International Section at its annual meeting on Friday 12:30-1:30PM. Mr. Buchheit retired last year after a 43-year career in private legal practice. For much of his career, Mr. Buchheit specialized in sovereign debt management projects and has worked on over two dozen sovereign debt restructurings. Mr. Buchheit led the international legal teams advising the Hellenic Republic (2011-12) and the Republic of Iraq (2005-08) in their debt restructurings, the two largest sovereign debt workouts in history. He is currently serving as strategic adviser to the Interim Government of Venezuela led by President Juan Guaido on debt matters. Mr. Buchheit is the author of two books in the field of international law and over 40 scholarly papers on sovereign debt matters. He serves as an Honorary Professor at the University of Edinburgh Law School and as a Non-Resident Fellow at Columbia Law School.