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Joseph M. Manko, Marc E. Gold, and Brenda H. Gotanda,
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to Speak at PBI's 14th Annual Real Estate Institute:

Green Building & Sustainability: Managing the New Risks

Thursday, December 2 Philadelphia, PA

Philadelphia, PA (November 18, 2010) – MGKF founding partners, Joseph M. Manko and Marc E. Gold along with partner Brenda H. Gotanda, will be speakers at the 14th annual Real Estate Institute hosted by the Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI) on Thursday, December 2. Manko and Gotanda will be presenting a course designed to help clients manage the new risks of the changing landscape for green building. Topics discussed will include innovative developments in green building and the LEED Rating Systems, issues in sustainability reporting, and the developing nature of claims in a green environment. Gold will be providing a general overview of the current and emerging land use, real estate and environmental issues. After a brief overview, the panel will address important issues relating to the ownership and leasing of the mineral estate.

Manko, Gold, and Gotanda will be joining a plethora of speakers on this conference about the basics of real estate, real estate practice in the economic downturn and land use. A check-in and continental breakfast will begin at 7:45 a.m. at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia, followed by the presentations starting at 8:30 a.m. Manko and Gotanda will be presenting their course from 11 a.m. to noon, and again from 1 to 2 p.m. Gold's presentation will also be held from 1 to 2 p.m.

Manko, a founding partner of MGKF, has more than 35 years experience advising clients on environmental issues. He has been listed in *The Best Lawyers*® *in America* since 1991 and regularly receives top rankings in *Chambers USA - America's Leading Lawyers for Business*. The co-chair of the City of Philadelphia's Sustainability Advisory Committee, he has been an environmental adviser to Mayor Michael Nutter and Governor Edward Rendell.

Gold, also a founding partner of MGKF, has extensive experience advising clients on issues related to environmental regulatory compliance and permitting. He has represented industrial and commercial concerns, ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to closely-held entities. Gold has been listed in *The Best Lawyers® in America* since 1989 and Pennsylvania *Super Lawyers* since 2004. He was also the past chairman of the Philadelphia Bar Association's Environmental Law Committee.

Gotanda, a LEED Accredited Professional, has over 16 years of experience in environmental, energy and land use matters. Gotanda counsels and represents businesses in regulatory, transactional, permitting, sustainability, and enforcement matters. She is currently serving her second term as Chair of the Radnor Township Environmental Advisory Council and is a founder and Director Emeritus of the Society of Women Environmental Professionals of Greater Philadelphia (SWEP).

MGKF concentrates its practice in environmental, energy, and land use law and litigation. It represents clients ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to small, privately held enterprises, both in the Mid-Atlantic region and on a national basis. MGKF's offices are located at 401 City Avenue, Suite 500, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania and 535 Route 38,

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