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## **Joseph Manko and Brenda Hustis Gotanda will be Presenters at The Pennsylvania Bar Institute's Program:**

### **"A Day on Real Estate" Thursday, August 5**

Philadelphia, PA (July 21, 2010) – Joseph M. Manko and Brenda Hustis Gotanda of Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), the environmental, energy and land use law firm based in Bala Cynwyd, PA, will be part of a group of speakers on Thursday, August 5. The program, "A Day on Real Estate," will be presented by the Pennsylvania Bar Institute and will be broken into six sessions, covering topics pertinent to real estate law.

Manko and Gotanda's session entitled "Green Building Update: Managing the New Risks" will give attendees an overview of green building, describe the latest developments in the LEED rating systems, and discuss the key legal issues presented in the construction and operation of green buildings.

The conference will be held at the CLE Conference Center on the 10<sup>th</sup> Floor of the Wanamaker Building in Philadelphia and will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:10 p.m. Additionally, the program will be simulcast in 16 other locations around the state of Pennsylvania. There is an early

registration discount for anyone who registers more than three days in advance. For a complete list of simulcast locations and registration costs, visit [www.pbi.org](http://www.pbi.org).

Manko has more than 35 years of experience advising clients on environmental issues and he has been listed in The Best Lawyers in America since 1991. For 19 years, he served as an adjunct professor of law at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and a summer lecturer-in-law at Vermont Law School. Manko graduated magna cum laude from Yale University and cum laude from Harvard Law School. Manko currently serves on the Board of Fairmount Park Conservancy and co-chairs Mayor Nutter's Sustainability Advisory Board.

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, green building, sustainability, transactional, permitting, and enforcement matters. She is listed in The Best Lawyers in America and in Pennsylvania Super Lawyers, and was recognized as a "Rising Star" in the area of Environmental Law by the Pennsylvania Super Lawyers publication. 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). She has also served as Co-Chair of the Philadelphia Bar Association Environmental Law Committee. Gotanda graduated with honors from the University of Texas School of Law and summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Boston College.

*Celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> year, 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, Suite 145A, Cherry Hill, New Jersey. For additional information, visit [www.mgkflaw.com](http://www.mgkflaw.com) or call 484-430-5700 or 856-317-1299.*

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