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**JOHN KIRK OF MANKO, GOLD, KATCHER & FOX, LLP
SPOKE ON GREENING THE LAW FIRM**

At the Environmental Law Forum in Harrisburg

Philadelphia, PA (March 17, 2009) – John Kirk, CLM, Director of Administration at Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), an environmental, energy and land use law firm in Bala Cynwyd, Pa., recently presented “How to Make Your Law Firm Green” at Pennsylvania Bar Institute’s Environmental Law Forum 2009 at the Harrisburg Hilton & Towers in Harrisburg, Pa.

Kirk’s session presented the benefits of implementing a “green” program, such as supply and energy cost savings, healthier environments for employees and buildings that are developed in an environmentally sensitive manner. In addition, he stressed the importance of law firms keeping up with their clients’ efforts in going “green.” Toward this end, the presentation focused on the American Bar Association-Environmental Protection Agency’s Law Office Climate Challenge Program, the U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED Rating System and strategies that help enhance worker productivity reduce absenteeism and lower energy and supply costs.

Kirk has been a member of the Association of Legal Administrators (ALA) since 1987 and joined the Philadelphia ALA Chapter in 1994, after re-locating from a law firm in Massachusetts. He has served as an ALA At-Large Director, Annual Educational Conference committee member and Chair of the 1994 Annual Educational Conference, and past Chair of the CLMsm (Certified Legal Manager) Certification Committee. He currently serves on ALA’s Vendor Relations Committee and is a Fellow in the College of Law Practice Management.

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 or call 484-430-5700 or 856-317-1299.

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