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**Joseph Manko and Bryan Franey of  
Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP, Discuss  
“Practical Tips for  
Buying and Selling Contaminated Property”  
at the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Real Estate Institute**

**December 5, 2013**

Philadelphia, PA (November 15, 2013) – Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox attorneys Joseph Manko and Bryan Franey will present, “Practical Tips for Buying and Selling Contaminated Property.” The program will take place on December 5, from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m., at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. The presentation is part of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute’s 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Real Estate Institute, December 5-6, 2013. For additional details and to register, visit the PBI website at [www.pbi.org](http://www.pbi.org) (Course Code #7735).

Manko and Franey will provide an overview of the legal liability framework associated with transactions involving contaminated property. Manko and Franey will offer practical advice for real estate attorneys on conducting environmental due diligence and hiring environmental consultants. Manko will also address recent developments related to vapor intrusion and siting issues.

Joseph M. Manko, a founding partner of MGKF, has 40 years of experience advising clients on environmental issues relating to real estate development, regulatory permitting and compliance, and transactional matters, including mergers and acquisitions, environmental reporting, and alternative dispute resolution matters. Manko is a member of the Fairmount Park Conservancy Executive Committee and

served for more than ten years as the chair of the Pennsylvania Infrastructure and Investment Authority (PENNVEST). He currently co-chairs the Mayor's Sustainability Advisory Board and serves on the Boards of the Fairmount Park Conservancy, Philadelphia Film Society, and Philadelphia Orchestra.

Franey has experience in counseling and representing clients on a range of environmental, energy, and health and safety matters. His practice focuses on the environmental aspects of commercial transactions and real estate development, regulatory compliance matters (particularly in the area of air quality), permitting, sustainability, energy efficiency and renewable energy development. He is currently an adjunct professor of law at Villanova teaching a class focused on practical lawyering skills in an environmental context.

*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. For the tenth consecutive year, MGKF has been listed in the top tier for environmental law in Chambers USA—America's Leading Lawyers for Business. Offices are located at: 401 City Avenue, Suite 500, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania; 535 Route 38, Suite 145A, Cherry Hill, New Jersey; and at 25 West Third Street, Suite 303, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. For additional information, visit [www.mankogold.com](http://www.mankogold.com) or call 484-430-5700, 856-317-1299, or 570-567-7325.*

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