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**MICHAEL C. GROSS OF MANKO, GOLD, KATCHER & FOX, LLP
TO SPEAK ON
ENVIRONMENTAL DUE DILIGENCE IN REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS**

Philadelphia, PA (July 17, 2008) – Michael C. Gross, a partner with Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), an environmental, energy, and land use law firm, will address attorneys, business owners, project managers, engineers, architects, developers, planners, and real estate professionals on environmental due diligence in real estate transactions. He will speak during a one-day seminar, “Real Estate Purchase and Sale Transactions,” presented by Sterling Education Services on Tuesday, July 22 at the Penn’s View Hotel in Philadelphia.

Gross will discuss the federal "all appropriate inquiry" rule, Pennsylvania's Act 2 Land Recycling Program (including impacts of the recently enacted Uniform Environmental Covenants Act), the role of environmental insurance, and miscellaneous environmental due diligence concerns.

At MGKF, Gross focuses his practice on brownfields redevelopment, transactional and regulatory compliance matters. He also has substantial environmental litigation experience, representing clients in civil enforcement actions, environmental insurance policy disputes, cost recovery actions and “toxic tort” matters. Gross served on the Vapor Intrusion Task Group of ASTM International to craft a uniform standard for assessing vapor intrusion risks in commercial real estate transactions. He was appointed to serve on Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell's environmental policy transition team and is a member of the Delaware Valley Environmental Inn of Court. In December 2007, Gross was named a “Rising Star” in the area of Environmental Law by the Pennsylvania Super Lawyers publication and Philadelphia Magazine.

Gross holds a law degree from Temple University School of Law, where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the Temple Environmental Law & Technology Journal, and a Master’s Degree in Government from John Hopkins University. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Colorado College.

Sterling Education Services’ seminar on Real Estate Purchase and Sale Transactions will be held on Tuesday, July 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with registration from 8 to 8:30 a.m. Continuing Education Credits will be offered. For more information visit www.sterlingeducation.com or call 715-855-0498.

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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