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FEDERAL PROCUREMENT INSTITUTE

**March 14–17, 2018**










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# Welcome

Dear Colleagues:

It's that time of year again! Beginning March 14–17, 2018, distinguished panelists from government, industry, private law practice, and academia will convene at the Loews Hotel in Annapolis, Maryland to participate in the 24th Annual Federal Procurement Institute (FPI) sponsored by the ABA Section of Public Contract Law. The Section's flagship program will focus on the significant federal procurement developments over the past year and provide valuable insight to chart the course ahead.

The upcoming FPI will commence Wednesday, March 14 with an **Optional Practicum Session** on bid protests, featuring a moot bid protest. The full two-day FPI plenary sessions on Thursday and Friday, March 15–16th, will include sessions on:

-  Diversity and inclusion in the profession and federal procurement bar
-  Supply chain integrity—the new normal
-  Debunking the myths of the service contract labor standards; the construction wage rate requirements and the contract work hours and safety standards act
-  The judges' panel—recent changes by the chiefs
-  Bid protests
-  Role of government contracts counsel in mergers and acquisitions
-  Section 809 Panel updates
-  Ethical issues in the field of government contracts
-  **Optional construction program** on the ins and outs of liquidated damages

In addition, there are multiple networking opportunities, including sponsored receptions each evening, “No-Host” lunch and dinners, and a Section Fellows Dinner.

The FPI offers a unique opportunity to learn about the varying perspectives and reasoning taken by the public contract community's stakeholders by engaging the panelists and your fellow participants in a spirited exchange of ideas throughout the two-day institute and the multiple networking events scheduled throughout the program.

The opportunity to exchange ideas with fellow public contract professionals continues on Saturday, March 17 where our Section Council will meet in open session to discuss action and information on legislation, regulations, and other current issues important to government contract practitioners.

We look forward to seeing you at the Federal Procurement Institute in Annapolis.

**Aaron P. Silberman**, Chair, ABA Section of Public Contract Law, Shareholder, Rogers Joseph O'Donnell, San Francisco, CA

## FPI Program Co-Chairs

**Sheila A. Armstrong**, Partner, Morgan Lewis Bockius LLP, Dallas, TX

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# Federal Procurement Institute

## Wednesday, March 14, 2018

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

### Women's Networking Event

**SPONSORED BY: Baker Tilly, Berkeley Research Group (BRG), Larkin Ferrell LLP**

Join fellow women attendees for socializing and networking before the FPI Practicum session at the Annapolis home of Past-Chair Sharon Larkin. Please indicate your intent to attend on the online registration form. Directions will be provided prior to the event.

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

### Optional Practicum: Bid Protest—A 360° Review **REGISTRATION FEE: \$40**

This Practicum offers a rare opportunity to observe (and participate in) discussions over the most vexing issues that arise in bid protests today. You will experience a moot bid protest from the varying perspectives of an in-house counsel, private bar protest counsel, agency counsel, a Department of Justice attorney, a GAO Examiner and a Judge on the Court of Federal Claims. Healthy debate is guaranteed as the focus will be on hot topics, e.g. availability of key personnel and challenges to corrective action, with practice tips from those who advocate and those who adjudicate.

**MODERATORS:** **Jeff Chio**, Shareholder, Rogers Joseph O'Donnell, Washington, DC; **Frank Windham, Jr.**, Associate Counsel, United States Department of the Navy, Office of the General Counsel, Arlington, VA

**PANELISTS:** **Honorable Marian Blank Horn**, Judge, United States Court of Federal Claims, Washington, DC; **Joshua Drewitz**, Associate General Counsel, Textron Systems, Hunt Valley, MD; **Elizabeth Witwer**, Senior Attorney, United States Government Accountability Office, Washington, DC; **Corinne A. Niosi**, Senior Trial Counsel, Civil Division, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC; **Amy Conant**, Associate, K&L Gates LLP, Washington DC

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

### Reception: Hosted by PwC

8:00 pm – 9:30 pm

### "No Host" Federal, State, Local Government Attorney's Networking Event

Baroak Restaurant—Loews Hotel

## Thursday, March 15, 2018

7:30 am – 8:00 am

### Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 am – 8:15 am

### Opening Remarks and Introduction

**Aaron Silberman**, Chair, ABA Section of Public Contract Law, Shareholder, Rogers Joseph O'Donnell, PC, Washington, DC

## Program Schedule

8:15 am – 9:15 am

### Short Talks on Putting Procurement Law to Work

This program features short talks focused on topics where substantive procurement law meets real-life issues. Learn how professionals in the field address:

- 🌱 Defining the boundaries where false claims and contract disputes intersect;
- 🌱 Successfully advocating with DoD contract administration agencies before litigation starts; and
- 🌱 Applying choices made during a major defense deal to the post-acquisition enterprise.

**MODERATOR:** **Craig Smith**, Of Counsel, Wiley Rein LLP, Washington, DC

**PRESENTERS:** **Marcia Madsen**, Partner, Mayer Brown, Washington, DC; **Gail Zirkelbach**, Partner, Crowell & Moring, Los Angeles, CA; **Nygina Mills**, Attorney, Chantilly, VA; **Benjamin Kohr**, General Counsel, Production and Aftermarket Programs, Sikorsky Defense Systems and Services, Stratford, CT

9:15 am – 9:30 am

### Networking Break

9:30 am – 10:30 am

### Diversity & Inclusion in the Legal Profession: Why It's Important and What You Can Do

Despite many years of emphasis, obtaining diversity in the legal profession has never been harder. This panel will explore the importance of diversity within the legal profession, specifically within the federal procurement bar, including insight from the bench on how judges view diversity and the impact on advocacy before them. The panel will also offer insights on how to improve diversity and inclusion in the federal procurement bar.

**MODERATORS:** **Tara Ward**, Of Counsel, Wiley Rein LLP, Washington, DC; **Linda Santiago**, Attorney, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS:** **Honorable Elaine Kaplan**, United States Court of Federal Claims, Washington, DC; **Monica G. Parham**, Diversity, Inclusion & Talent Consultant, Washington, DC

10:30 am – 10:45 am

### Networking Break

10:45 am – 11:45 am

### Judges Panel: Meet The Chiefs

Government contractors have seen many changes throughout 2017 including the appointment of three new Chiefs to the key fora for government contracts litigation: the United States Court of Federal Claims, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals, and Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals. Join us for an open discussion about recent changes implemented by the three new Chiefs and the potential effects on the government contracts community.

**MODERATORS:** **Honorable Carol Park-Conroy**, (Ret.), Mediator and Arbitrator, JAMS, Alexandria, VA; **Viviana Lowe**, Honors Attorney, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS:** **Honorable Lydia Griggsby**, United States Court of Federal Claims, Washington, DC; **Honorable Jeri K. Somers**, Chair, Civilian Board of Contract Appeals, Washington, DC; **Honorable John J. Thrasher**, Chairman, Armed Services Board of Contract Appeals, Falls Church, VA

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

### Optional Construction Program: Ins and Outs of Liquidated Damages

**REGISTRATION FEE: \$40** Box Lunch 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm/CLE Program 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm

A liquidated damages clause is in almost every construction contract. Panelists will bring the perspectives of the government, general contractor, surety, and court in examining the common reasons why liquidated damages are assessed, and in evaluating and resolving claims for liquidated damages.

**MODERATOR: John E. Sebastian**, Partner, Watt, Tieder, Hoffer & Fitzgerald, LLP, Chicago, IL

**PANELISTS: Honorable Mary Ellen Coster Williams**, United States Court of Federal Claims, Washington, DC; **John P. Carpenter**, Chief Legal Officer, California Operations Balfour Beatty US, San Diego, CA; **Leslie Alvarado-Llitas**, Technical Director & Counsel Bond & Specialty Insurance Construction Services-Claim Travelers, Hunt Valley, MD; **David F. Innis**, Assistant District Counsel, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco, CA

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

**Young Lawyers No Host Lunch** — The Metropolitan Kitchen & Lounge

1:45 pm – 2:15 pm

### 2017 Public Contract Law Journal Writing Competition Winner Presentation

*Zen and the Art of Suspension & Proposed Debarment: A Call for Pre-Exclusion Notice and Opportunity to Respond*

**PRESENTER: Jessica A. Berrada**, JD 2018, Legal Analyst, World Bank Group's Integrity Vice Presidency (INT), Washington, DC

2:15 pm – 3:45 pm

### Debunking Myths of the SCA and DBA

Over the last few years, compliance with government contracting-specific labor laws and regulations has grown more complicated. This has impacted contractors seeking to comply with the laws and regulations, agencies attempting to properly determine which ones apply, and employees trying to understand the pay and benefits they are entitled to receive. This panel will feature a discussion of the labor laws and regulations impacting the government contracting community and the pitfalls.

Additionally, the panel will present a mock Department of Labor investigation. Topics will include:

- 🌱 Recent developments under the Service Contract Labor Standards (known as the Service Contract Act), Construction Wage Rate Requirements (known as the David-Bacon Act), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act
- 🌱 New labor requirements including executive orders requiring sick leave, a minimum wage, and a right of first refusal
- 🌱 Challenges associated with GSA Schedule contracts

**MODERATORS: Eric Crusius**, Senior Counsel, Holland & Knight LLP, Tysons, VA; **Rosamond Xiang**, Associate, Crowell & Moring, LLP, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS: Tim Helm**, Director of Government Contracts and Advisory Services, BDO USA LLP, Washington, DC; **Vanessa Shaw-Jennings**, Agency Labor Advisor, Headquarters, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Washington, DC; **Michael Schrier**, Special Counsel, Duane Morris, LLP, Washington, DC

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3:45 pm – 4:00 pm

### Networking Break

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

### Supply Chain Integrity: The New Normal

This panel will discuss supply chain issues in today's global and technological world, with a view toward addressing some recent issues impacting the supply chain. Topics will include:

- 🌱 New supply chain assessment and management programs and tools for use by government and contractors
- 🌱 Lessons learned from Kaspersky Labs, as well as Agency handling of Debarment, Suspension and reporting requirements for violations of supply chain rules
- 🌱 The impact of new U.S. export requirements and EU privacy rules on the transfer of data and equipment in the supply chain

**MODERATOR:** **Mary Ita Snyder**, Division Counsel, Northrop Grumman Corporation, Navigation and Maritime Systems Division, Baltimore, MD

**PANELISTS:** **Susan Warshaw Ebner**, Shareholder, Fortney & Scott LLP, Washington, DC; **Timothy Mooney**, Senior Export Policy Analyst, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC; **Angela Smith**, Senior Advisor for Cybersecurity, Risk, and Resilience, General Services Administration, Office of Mission Assurance, Washington, DC; **Robert Vogt**, Western Regional Coordinator, Acquisition Integrity Program (Fraud Remedies) Office of the General Counsel, NASA, Washington, DC

5:30 pm – 6:45 pm

### Reception hosted by Wilmer Hale

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**“No-Host” Dine-Out Dinners** — See page 10 for details.

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

**Section Fellows Dinner** (Fellows Members Only) **FEE: \$72** Carrol's Creek Restaurant

The Fellows of the Section of Public Contract Law will convene for food, drink, and conversation at Carrol's Creek Restaurant located at 410 Severn Avenue. Register online and in advance for this event.

## Friday, March 16, 2018

7:30 am – 8:00 am

### Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 am – 8:15 am

### Opening Remarks and Introduction

8:15 am – 9:45 am

### Not Your Average Bid Protest

Contractors and their counsel rarely limit their protest actions to just the Government Accountability Office (GAO) or the Court of Federal Claims. This panel addresses a variety of bid protest-related matters arising



not only before the GAO, but also before the Federal Aviation Administration's Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition (ODRA), the Small Business Administration's Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA), as well as the many high-stakes matters handled by the General Services Administration's (GSA's) Office of the Ombudsman. Decision makers from these agencies will discuss some recent developments arising in each of their forums, and the similarities and differences in the matters they handle.

**MODERATORS:** **Noah B. Bleicher**, Senior Attorney, Procurement Law Division, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington, DC; **Mary-Caitlin Ray**, Attorney, Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS:** **Laura Eyester**, Senior Attorney, Procurement Law Division, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington, DC; **Honorable John A. Dietrich**, Judge, Federal Aviation Administration Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisitions (ODRA), Washington, DC; **Honorable Kenneth M. Hyde**, Judge, Small Business Administration Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA), Washington, DC; **Millisa L. Gary**, General Services Administration Ombudsman, Washington, DC

9:45 am – 10:00 am

### Networking Break

10:00 am – 11:30 am

### Beyond Diligence: The Role of Government Contracts Counsel in Mergers and Acquisitions

Government contracts professionals are often called upon to conduct contract diligence in connection with corporate transactions involving a government contractor or grantee. The role of government contracts counsel extends beyond “issue-spotting” for compliance risk. It touches virtually every aspect of the transaction lifecycle, to include: (1) deal structure; (2) negotiation of the purchase agreement and other deal documents; (3) transaction execution; (4) transition planning; and (5) post-closing integration. This panel will offer perspectives on how counsel can add significant value in each of these areas from in-house attorneys, financial analysis specialists and outside counsel who focus on government contracts M&A.

**MODERATORS:** **Damien Specht**, Partner, Morrison & Foerster, McLean, VA; **Nooree Lee**, Senior Associate Attorney, Covington & Burling, LLP, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS:** **Scott Freling**, Partner, Covington & Burling, LLP, Washington, DC; **Eun Ah Choi**, Corporate Counsel, Northrop Grumman Corporation, Falls Church, VA; **Doree Keating**, Partner, Ernst & Young LLP, McLean, VA

11:45 am – 1:15 pm

### Section Luncheon

**PRESENTER:** **Emily Murphy**, Administrator, United States General Services Administration, Washington, DC

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

### Section 809 Panel Updates

Join members of the congressionally-created Section 809 Panel, which is tasked with developing recommendations to Congress for streamlining and improving DoD's acquisition process. The panel will discuss issues including removing barriers of entry to the defense marketplace, ensuring that the U.S.

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maintains its competitive advantage, attracting more innovative companies into the defense marketplace, and making IT procurement more efficient.

**MODERATORS:** **W. Hartmann Young**, Senior Counsel Government Business, GE Aviation, Cincinnati, OH; **Terrius D. Greene**, Attorney, Customs and Border Protection, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS:** **David A. Drabkin**, Drabkin and Associates, LLC, Woodbridge, VA; **Laurence M. Trowel**, Commissioner, Section 809 Panel, Naples, FL; **Elliot B. Branch**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Procurement, Office of the Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, Washington, DC; **Charlie E. Williams, Jr.**, President, CWilliams LLC, Fairfax Station, VA

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

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### Ethics in Government Contracts

This panel will feature updates on ethical issues attorneys need to be aware of in 2018; perspectives from Hui Chen, former consultant to Department of Justice Fraud Section; discussion of ethical considerations for government contracts counsel in the following areas of practice: compliance, investigations, mergers & acquisitions.

**MODERATORS:** **David Robbins**, Partner, Crowell & Moring, LLP, Washington, DC; **Jayna Marie Rust**, Associate, Thompson Coburn, Washington, DC

**PANELISTS:** **Anne Donohue**, General Counsel, Akima, LLC, Herndon, VA; **Brian D. Miller**, Rogers Joseph O'Donnell, Washington, DC; **Lewis Rhodes**, Director of Contract Management & Compliance, Valiant Integrated Services, McLean, VA

5:15 pm – 6:45 pm

### Section Reception

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## Saturday, March 17, 2018

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### Section of Public Contract Law Council Meeting

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12:00 noon – 2:00 pm

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The Metropolitan Kitchen & Lounge

Here's an opportunity to network with other young lawyer colleagues or introduce yourself to someone new over lunch at a local Annapolis, establishment. Please indicate your intent to attend on the online registration form. Lunch will be No Host – cash only.

### 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm Reception hosted by WilmerHale



### 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm No-Host Dine Out Dinners

Join your colleagues of all levels of experience for conversation over dinner as part of this organized dining event in Annapolis. Indicate your intent to participate and check the "No Host Dine Out" box on

the online registration form. Restaurant sign-ups will take place on-site at the FPI Registration Desk. Reservations at each restaurant are limited. Dinners are No Host – cash only.

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# General Information

## Registration Information

Register online at <http://ambar.org/PubConFPI18>. Members will need an ABA ID number, located on your ABA membership card or on the mailing label above your name on this brochure. Non-ABA members may register online by creating a new customer account. You may also join the Section to take advantage of the discounted member rates. Please contact 800.285.2221 if you need assistance with the online registration system.

## Registration Fee

Register by February 16, 2018 online to receive the early bird registration rates. The attendee registration fee includes continental breakfasts, coffee breaks, the Friday luncheon, the receptions, and two days of speakers' written presentations available in advance through a web link that will be provided. **The optional Practicum and optional Construction Program lunch each have a separate \$40 registration fee.** The registration fees above provide for reduced registration fees for government employees, academics, public interest lawyers employed with non-profit organizations, lawyers admitted to practice for less than five years and law students.

## Tuition Assistance

A limited number of registration fee reductions are available for this program. The fee-reductions will be determined on a one-time only, case-by-case, first-come first-serve basis. Requests must be received at least three weeks before the program start date—February 21, 2018. A minimal fee may be charged on all approved applications to defray expenses. For programs with tuition costs of \$500 or more, qualifying attorneys will receive at least a 50% reduction in the course fees only. You will be notified prior to the program if your application is approved. To apply, send a letter outlining the basis for your request of a fee reduction to Patty Brennan, ABA Section of Public Contract Law, at [patty.brennan@americanbar.org](mailto:patty.brennan@americanbar.org).

## In-Person Registration

If you plan to register in person, please call the ABA by March 7, 2018 to confirm space availability. Cash payments will not be accepted.

## Program Confirmation

Written confirmation of your registration will be sent to you upon receipt. If you do not receive the confirmation notice prior to the program, please call the ABA at 800.285.2221 at least 24 hours in advance to confirm that your registration was received.

## Cancellation Policy

Requests for refund must be made in writing and received in the Section of Public Contract Law's office on or before March 1, 2018 and will incur a **\$50 administrative fee. No refunds will be made after March 1, 2018.**

*A registration submitted online or by mail to the ABA office is considered a firm commitment. If you do not cancel by the designated deadline date for refund, you will be expected to pay the registration fee even if circumstances prevent you from attending the program.*

## Substitutions

Written requests for substitutions will be permitted prior to the conference for requests received by the conference registration cut-off date. After this date, substitutions will need to be made on-site. Substitutions are not permitted once a registrant has registered on-site or after the conference has occurred. Please submit a request on firm/agency letterhead to transfer the registration to another person. **Only** the substitute will be eligible for CLE credit. The substitute and original registrant must work out the payment between themselves.

## HOTEL INFORMATION

The Loews Annapolis Hotel, located at 126 West Street in the historic seaport of Annapolis, Maryland, is an easy drive from both Baltimore and Washington, DC, and only 18 miles from Baltimore-Washington International Airport (BWI). ABA guests will receive complimentary internet access in guest rooms.

When booking reservations, please refer to the ABA Public Contract Law 24th Annual Federal Procurement Institute. Rooms are available for check-in after 4 pm and check-out time is 12:00 noon. Individuals with guaranteed reservations must cancel their reservations 24 hours prior to the scheduled day of arrival to avoid a one night's cancellation charge. The rooms are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. **The section's room block will be available until Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 5:00 pm (CST) or whenever the block fills, whichever comes first.** Parking rates range from \$8–\$23 per day.

## Attendees Hotel Rate

The special room rate for meeting attendees is \$169 single/double, plus 13% tax per room per night.

You may reserve your accommodations at the Loews Hotel online at <https://www.loewshotels.com/annapolis/aba-section-of-public-contract-law-24th>

or by calling Loews directly at 800.526.2593 and providing the group code **ABA313** to make a reservation.

### Government Hotel Rate

A very limited number of rooms are also available at a government rate for government employees. Proof of current government employment will be required at check-in to be entitled to this government room rate. You may reserve your accommodations at the Loews Hotel online at <https://www.loewshotels.com/annapolis/section-of-public-contract-law-gov> or by calling Loews directly at 800.526.2593 and providing the government rate group code **ABA314** to make a reservation.

### Ground Transportation

Super Shuttle operates a van/bus service between BWI and Annapolis. Information about this service can be obtained by calling 800.258.3826 or booking online at [www.supershuttle.com](http://www.supershuttle.com). The cost is \$39 per person each way.

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**Delta Airlines** 800.328.1111 ABA File Global Meeting Code: NMP56. Discount available at [www.delta.com](http://www.delta.com)

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[Ernestine.Leibas@americanbar.org](mailto:Ernestine.Leibas@americanbar.org) by February 17, 2018.

### CLE Program Materials

Prior to the program, all advance registrants will receive an email with a link to the CLE materials. No printed materials will be available on-site. You are encouraged to bring a laptop, notebook, or tablet to view the materials onsite. Complimentary Wi-Fi access will be available.

### CLE Credit

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This transitional program is approved for both newly admitted and experienced attorneys in NY. Attorneys may be eligible to receive CLE credit through reciprocity or attorney self-submission in other states. For more information about CLE accreditation in your state, visit <http://ambar.org/PubConFPI18> or contact Ernestine Leibas at [Ernestine.Leibas@americanbar.org](mailto:Ernestine.Leibas@americanbar.org) or 312.988.5699.

### CPE Information

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Recommended CPE Credits and Fields of Study: Program attendees can earn up to 35.50 CPE credits in Taxes and Regulatory Ethics fields of study. Prerequisites: Previous experience in tax law; Advanced Preparation: None; Program Level: Intermediate; Delivery Method: Group-Live

# Registration

## 24TH ANNUAL FEDERAL PROCUREMENT INSTITUTE AND MIDYEAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 14–17, 2018 • Loews Annapolis Hotel, Annapolis, MD

**Register online at: <http://ambar.org/PubConfPI18>**

**Register by February 16, 2018 to obtain discount**

The following discounts are available to each attendee. The ABA automatically adjusts registrations submitted at the incorrect rate. Full payment at the correct rate must be received in order to process your registration and CLE credits.

| Registration Fees   | By Feb 16 | After Feb 16 | After March 7 |
|---|-----------|--------------|---------------|
| General Attendee (Non ABA or Non FBA Member)  | \$650     | \$750        | \$800         |
| ABA Member, PCL Section Non-Member  | \$550     | \$610        | \$660         |
| PCL Section Member or FBA Member  | \$450     | \$510        | \$560         |
| PCL Section Member Government Employee  | \$350     | \$410        | \$460         |
| FBA Member Government Employee  |           |              |               |
| PCL Section Member Academic   |           |              |               |
| PCL Section Member Young Lawyer under 36 years of age or admitted to Practice 5 years or less |           |              |               |
| Non-PCL Member Government Employee  | \$410     | \$470        | \$520         |
| Non-FBA Member Government Employee  |           |              |               |
| Non-PCL Academic  |           |              |               |
| Non-PCL Young Lawyer under 36 years of age or admitted to Practice 5 years or less            |           |              |               |
| ABA Law Student Section Member  | \$ 75     | \$ 75        | \$ 75         |

Please enroll me as a member of the ABA Public Contract Law Section to take advantage of the section member rate above. I understand I must be a member of the ABA to join the Section.

- \$45 ABA Lawyer Member/ABA Associate Member
- Free ABA Law Student Member

Your registration fee includes continental breakfasts, coffee breaks, Friday luncheon, receptions, and two days of speakers' written presentations available in advance through a web link that will be provided. **No written materials will be available on-site. You may wish to bring a laptop, notebook, or tablet to view the materials onsite as complimentary Wi-Fi access will be available.**

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<http://ambar.org/PubConFPI18>

(Please indicate all events you and your spouse/guest will attend)

### Wednesday, March 14

Women's Networking Event

Registrant

*Optional CLE Practicum:*

Registrant \$40

Reception hosted by PwC

Registrant N/C

Govt. Atty's "No Host" Event

Registrant Cash only

### Thursday, March 15

Optional Construction Division CLE Luncheon Program

Registrant \$40

Young Lawyers "No Host" Networking Lunch

Registrant Cash only

Reception hosted by WilmerHale

Registrant Spouse/Guest N/C

"No Host" Dine-Out Dinner

Registrant Cash only

Fellows "No Host" Networking Dinner

Registrant \$72

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### Mail registration

American Bar Association, Public Contract Law Section

Meeting/Event Registrations Dept. #PC0318

321 North Clark Street, 16th Floor

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STATES IN WHICH YOU ARE LICENSED \_\_\_\_\_

GUEST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

- I am a new member to the ABA Section of Public Contract Law
- I am a first time attendee of this conference
- I am a Young Lawyer (36 years of age or younger/practicing less than 5 years)
- I require special dietary or access considerations: please email your requirements to [Ernestine.Leibas@americanbar.org](mailto:Ernestine.Leibas@americanbar.org)

### Friday, March 16

Program Luncheon (Ticketed Event)

Registrant N/C

Section Reception

Registrant Spouse/Guest N/C

### Saturday, March 17

Council Meeting N/C

Council Town Hall Meeting

12:00–2:00 pm N/C

### FEES DUE

#### Registration Totals

Registration Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Other Events \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total for Amount Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Payment Method

- Enclosed is my check, made payable to the **American Bar Association.**
- Credit card payments accepted online only at: <http://ambar.org/PubConFPI18>

# Future Meetings

**April 19-20, 2018**

**13th Annual State & Local Procurement Symposium**

Westin Cadillac Hotel  
Detroit, MI

**August 2-4, 2018**

**Annual Meeting CLE Programming,  
Council Meeting, Election**

Intercontinental Chicago Magnificent Mile  
Chicago, IL

**November 1-3, 2018**

**Fall Educational Program/Council Meeting**

Nashville, TN

**March 2019**

**25th Annual Federal Procurement Institute (FPI)/  
Council Meeting**

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