

## WWEMA 2012 Finance & Contract Administration Council Speakers

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**Jason Barclay** is a partner in the Litigation Department of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, where he specializes in complex, high stakes, and often high profile civil and criminal matters. He has been named one of the top five “rising stars” white collar criminal defense attorneys in the country by *Law360*. He regularly leads internal investigations into fraud and other misconduct, including managing due diligence investigations and the implementation of internal controls under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act. He was previously Special Counsel and Policy Director to Indiana Governor Mitch Daniels. He is a graduate of Duke University and the University of Virginia Law School.



**Jim Brown** is Corporate Counsel for Degremont North America. In this capacity he provides commercial legal services for five Degremont entities: Infilco Degremont, in Richmond; Ozonia North America, in New Jersey; Water & Power Technologies, in Utah; AmeriWater in Ohio; Anderson Water Systems in Toronto; and Degremont, Ltee in Montreal. He received his bachelor's degree in General Engineering from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, and his J.D. from George Mason School of Law in Arlington, Virginia.



**Mark Crandley** is a partner in the Litigation Department of Barnes & Thornburg LLP. He has a diverse practice that concentrates on appeals, municipal and construction law, employee benefits, probate and guardianship matters as well as general commercial litigation. He has represented clients in cases involving breach of contract, Articles 2,3,4 and 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code, trade secrets and various forms of trade regulation. He received his J.D. *summa cum laude* from Indiana University School of Law - Bloomington.



**John Ellison** is a partner at the law firm of Reed Smith LLP. His practice concentrates in the insurance coverage area exclusively on behalf of policyholders. His clients range from Fortune 50 companies to small closely-held companies. He has been recognized by *Chambers USA 2007-2010: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*. His international practice involves appearing in courts and tribunals throughout the U.S. and in Europe. He has been lead counsel in some of the largest insurance disputes over the last decade. He regularly lectures around the world on insurance coverage topics and has published numerous articles in national journals and periodicals. He has been rated “AV” by Martindale Hubbell.



**Larry Mackey** is a partner in Barnes & Thornburg LLP, concentrating on white collar crime defense and complex litigation. He joined Barnes & Thornburg LLP in 1998 after 18 years as a federal prosecutor and three years as a state prosecutor. He concludes his Department of Justice service on the prosecution team responsible for the convictions of the Oklahoma City bombing defendants. He tried both cases and delivered the prosecution's closing argument in *U.S. v. Timothy McVeigh*. He co-chairs the firm's White Collar Crime Division Practice Group and represented multi-international corporations before SEC and DOJ in Foreign Corrupt Practices Act investigations. He graduated *magna cum laude* from Indiana University School of Law – Bloomington.



**Steve Rothenberg** is the Contracts Leader for Parkson Corporation. In his role he is charged with the evaluation of contract terms and conditions with customers; preparation of proposals; negotiation of customer orders in conjunction with product groups; defining scope of sales, terms, conditions, warranties and other significant parameters, i.e., prepares complete order package for Project Management fulfillment; analyzes proposal detail, contracts, purchase orders and contract agreements for configuration and technical acceptance. He has been a member of the WWEMA/AGC Task Force on Standard Purchase Order Forms and WWEMA's F&CA Council I-IV.

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**Michael Soller** is Business Development Director at Bowen Engineering Corporation. He has over 25 years of commercial and industrial project management experience and was an adjunct professor for 11 years. In his development role he is an integration leader for the front end engineering and development, constructability assessment, project preplanning, estimating, and delivery methodology of projects in the water, wastewater and power industries. He has published articles in technical journals or at conferences on subjects related to capstone course assessment, technical and leadership training, Six Sigma quality results, and integrated design build project delivery and metrics. He received a B.S. in Civil Engineering at the University of Dayton, and an M.S. from Purdue University.



**Charles Surasky** is a member of the law firm of Smith, Currie & Hancock LLP. He specializes in the trial and arbitration of complex construction disputes involving both private and government construction contracts. His wide range of trial experience includes actions in state and federal courts, arbitration, and hearings before the federal boards of contract appeals. He is an active member of the National Utility Contractors Association, having served on NUCA's board of directors and selected as NUCA's 2009 Associate Member of the Year. He is NUCA's liaison to the Engineers Joint Contracts Documents Committee and has been actively involved in EJCDC's construction, procurement and design/build contract documents. He received his J.D. from George Washington University, graduating with honors.

**Mike Kaplan**, Financial Director of Severn Trent Water Purification, Inc. will also be participating on the "International Contracts: Top Ten Issues" session on Thursday, March 22. Photo and bio not available at press time.