Government Contracts Section

The Government Contracts Section sponsored “An Audio Conference on International Sales Representatives: Compliance and Management Issues” on Sept. 21, 2011. The event was moderated by Matthew McGrath of the McGrath Law Group LLC, and the discussion was led by guest speaker Paul Barchie, assistant general counsel at L-3 Corp. Topics included U.S. and foreign laws relating to improper payments, reporting requirements under various regulations (U.S. and foreign), and cost allowability issues under U.S. rules. Key contract terms related to these issues, addressing contractual issues such as compensation, and termination were also addressed.

Section on Taxation

On Oct 6, 2011, the Section on Taxation hosted a program entitled “Women in Tax Law: Networking at All Stages of Your Career.” This multiicity event featured a live panel discussion in Washington, D.C., and a video-streamed viewing of the panel discussion in New York. The program focused on strategies that lead to success in an organization as well as ways to develop relationships with clients and networking with colleagues. The panelists included Elizabeth Coffin, director of tax affairs at United Technologies Corporation; Susanne Sachsman Grooms, chief counsel for the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform; Karol V. Mason, deputy associate attorney general at the U.S. Department of Justice; and Pamela F. Olson, partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP.

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