

# Ethics and Professionalism in Government Contracts Practice

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**The Boards of Contract Appeals Bar Association (BCABA)**

*and*

**The George Washington University Law School,  
Government Procurement Law Program**

*are pleased to present a colloquium on:*

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This year's Boards of Contract Appeals Bar Association and George Washington Law School Government Procurement Law Policy Colloquium will focus on government ethics, attorney responsibility, and best practices in professional conduct and courtesy in dealings with other parties and the Boards of Contract Appeals.

- We are pleased to host Hon. Tom Davis as our keynote speaker who will provide some opening remarks and thoughts on the current state of the relationships between federal agencies and their contractors.
- Our first speaker, Mr. Stuart Bender, Director, Office of Ethics, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture will address the often-overlooked issues relating to the interplay between federal post-government employment rules (e.g., 18 U.S.C. §207) and related State Bar rules (e.g., Model Rules 1.6, 1.9, and 1.11).
- Thereafter, a panel moderated by Terry L. Elling, Partner, Holland & Knight, will discuss a variety of Government Ethics issues confronted by practitioners from the public and private bar.
- Then, a panel moderated by Abigail Stokes, Counsel, Miller & Chevalier, will engage in a discussion of practical challenges to maintaining high standards of professionalism and courtesy in the course of Government Contracts Practice.

We welcome your attendance and participation in this event, and ask that you come prepared to share your questions and experiences.

**December 3, 2019**

**8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

*8:00 – 8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast*

**The George Washington University Law School  
Faculty Conference Center**

**2000 H Street, NW, Washington, DC**

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- 8:00 – 8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 – 8:40 Welcome and Administrative Remarks - **Prof. Chris Yukins and Laura Semple, Esq.**
- 8:40-9:00 Keynote Address – **Hon. Tom Davis**
- 9:00 – 10:00 **Stuart Bender**, Esq., Director, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Office of Ethics, Navigating Post-Government Employment Rules without Losing Your Bar License
- 10:00 – 10:15 Break
- 10:15 – 11:00 **Identifying and Resolving Government Ethics Issues in Government Contracts Practice**  
**Terry Elling**, Holland & Knight (Moderator); **Stuart Bender**, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture;  
**Danica Irvine**, Senior Attorney/Deputy Designated Ethics Official, DoD; **Dismas Locaria**,  
Partner, Venable LLP.
- 11:00 – 12:00 **Maintaining Professionalism in Government Contracts Practice**  
**Abigail Stokes**, Miller & Chevalier (Moderator); **Raymond Saunders**, Chief Trial Attorney,  
U.S. Army; **Luke Meier**, Blank Rome LLP.