Workshop U
When OSHA Knocks—Preparing for & Responding to OSHA Inspection & Citations

Tuesday, March 27, 2018
3:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.
William H. Haak is the Founder of Haak Law LLC (www.haaklawllc.com) – an environmental, health & safety legal and consulting firm based in Cleveland, Ohio. He has almost 20 years of experience in occupational safety law and worker safety, and nearly 25 years of experience in environmental law (including extensive experience in air pollution control law and multi-media environmental compliance). Mr. Haak practices nationally in the United States and consults globally on all matters related to the EHS field (plus security and crisis management).

Mr. Haak graduated from The University of Akron (Business Finance) and Case Western Reserve University School of Law (J.D. with an emphasis on litigation and trial practice). Following law school, he worked as an Assistant Attorney General in the State of Ohio Attorney General’s Environmental Enforcement Section. As counsel to Ohio EPA, Mr. Haak’s practice was focused primarily on civil and administrative air pollution control cases. During his time with the Attorney General’s Office, Mr. Haak resolved civil environmental enforcement actions resulting in civil penalties totaling approximately $4 million.

Prior to forming Haak Law LLC, Mr. Haak was Senior EH&S Counsel for General Electric. He supported GE’s Appliances and Lighting Businesses, and was engaged in complex air permitting issues for other GE businesses nationwide. Mr. Haak has also been Associate General Counsel – EH&S for Hexion Specialty Chemicals in Columbus, Ohio, and Senior Regulatory Law Counsel for Owens Corning in Toledo, Ohio. He served overseas in the former Soviet Union (Ukraine) as an Environmental Enforcement Specialist with the American Bar Association’s Central & East European Law Initiative (“ABA/CEELI”).

Haak is a frequent lecturer to attorneys, engineers, and environmental professionals on topics concerning federal and state air pollution law. In addition, he has taught as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Central Florida in Orlando and Columbus State in Columbus, Ohio. Since 2005, Haak has taught classes focusing on Air Pollution Law and Occupational Safety and Health Law at The University of Toledo College of Law as an Adjunct Professor.
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Introduction & Agenda

• Overview, and a little about today’s format
• Being “inspection ready” all of the time
• Understanding your rights as an employer
• OSHA is at the door! What now? What are your rights?
• Opening conferences
• Walk-around, employee interviews, and information requests
• Closing conferences (and what to do right after…)
• Citations, informal conferences, and contests
• Wrap-up with miscellaneous updates from OSHA
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Questions?

Thank You!