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**Food and Drug Law Institute Sponsors Major Conference on Nanotechnology Law,  
Regulation and Policy**

*Top Government Officials Will Explain Regulatory Plans for Cutting-Edge Technology at National Meeting  
Feb. 18-19 in Washington, DC.*

Nanotechnology was incorporated into more than \$60 billion in manufactured goods last year. By 2014, the market will grow to \$2.6 trillion. By 2011, over \$15 billion in nano-enabled drugs and therapeutics will be sold—up from more than \$3 billion in 2006. And industry experts project that nanotechnology will be incorporated into \$20 billion worth of consumer food products by 2010.

With this rapid commercialization — and with a new Administration in power — all eyes are on federal government regulators to find out how they intend to deal with this burgeoning issue. FDLI, in partnership with Burdock Group and Arizona State University has assembled — in one forum — top officials at the agencies responsible for the regulation of nanotechnology products—including the Food and Drug Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency to discuss their plans for managing and monitoring these products.

*FDA speakers include:* **Norris Alderson**, FDA Nanotechnology Task Force; **John Weimer**, Office of Chief Counsel; **Subhas Malghan**, Center for Devices and Radiological Health; **Linda Katz**, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition; **Mitchell Cheeseman**, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition; and **Douglas Throckmorton**, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research.

**Jessica Barkas**, Program Attorney in the Chemical Control Division of the Environmental Protection Agency, also will be speaking at the meeting.

At FDLI's 2nd Annual Conference on Nanotechnology Law, Regulation and Policy, February 18-19, 2009, at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, in Washington, D.C., food and drug industry representatives also will find out what's happening internationally on nanotech regulation, how venture capitalists look at the future of nanotechnology and what the leading corporations, scientific laboratories and academic centers are focusing on in this dynamic field.

This groundbreaking conference will seek answers to these questions:

- > What progress is FDA making in implementing its Nanotechnology Task Force Report?
- > What can FDA learn from EPA and other oversight agencies in NNI?
- > Will the heavily Democratic Congress invest in and/or regulate more than under the Bush Administration?
- > Are workers exposed to asbestos-like dangers from dealing with nano products?
- > How does a responsible company devise a risk management plan for nanotech development — one that takes into account OSHA and NIOSH policy?
- > What is reasonable and required federal funding for U.S nanotechnology R&D, including monies for safety and social policy research?
- > Are China and Japan ahead of the U.S. in nanotech development?
- > For nanotech products and processes, should particle size make a regulatory difference?

Other featured speakers and moderators include:

**Scott Livingston**, Capital Management/The Livingston Group

**Andrew Maynard**, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

**George Burdock**, Burdock Group

**Tie Lan**, NanoCor Inc.

**Robert J. Nicolosi**, University of Massachusetts, Lowell

**Ralph Hall**, University of Minnesota Law School

**Matthew Jaffe**, Crowell & Moring, LLP

**Les Makepeace**, Colorado Nanotechnology Alliance

**Sean Murdock**, NanoBusiness Alliance

**Jay Ansell**, Personal Care Products Council

**James Chen**, Crowell & Moring, LLP

**John Howard**, Public Health Law Program, Centers for Disease Control

**Jim O'Reilly**, Baker & Daniels

**Jessica Barkas**, Environmental Protection Agency

**Henry Chajet**, Patton Boggs

**Rachel Lattimore**, Arent Fox

**John Monica**, Porter Wright

**Susan Brienza**, Patton Boggs

**Lynn L. Bergeson**, Bergeson & Campbell, P.C.

**Don Ewert**, Oso BioPharmaceuticals

**Michael J. Kosnett**, University of Colorado, Denver and Colorado School of Public Health

**Erli Chen**, Nanotechnology Commercialization Group, NTI

**Gary Marchant**, Arizona State University

**Diana Bowman**, Monash University

**Steffi Friedrichs**, Nanotechnology Industries Association

**John Pendergrass**, Environmental Law Institute

**David Guston**, Center for Nanotechnology in Society

**Jordan Paradise**, University of Minnesota Law School

**Vickie Sutton**, Texas Tech University School of Law

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**The Center for the Study of Law, Science & Technology at Arizona State University** is the nation's oldest and largest academic center focusing on the intersection of law with science and technology, and is currently engaged in a three-year study funded by the DOE on regulation of nanotechnology.

To register for the conference, visit [www.fdpi.org](http://www.fdpi.org) or call (800) 956-6293 or (202) 371-1420.

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