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Eminent Domain

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Overview of Eminent Domain law

- Source of power
- Traditional public projects (ie. road widening, public school, ect.) and redevelopment projects
- Modification or revocation of highway access

Overview of legal process to take property

- Access modification and revocation notices and hearings
- Litigating the right to take property
 Litigating amount of just compensation

Engineers and surveyors – what is your role?

- Highway access issues traffic engineers
- Pre-litigation analysis
- · Highest and best use analysis generally drives value
- "Reasonable probability"
- Testifying as an expert witness

Tips and pitfalls for acting as an expert witness

Site Contamination Law

S. Humphreys

Discovering existing soil and/or groundwater contamination

Understanding applicable rules and regulations

Understanding liability issues

Exploring remediation and brownfield redevelopment

Land Use Law

G. Forshner

Understanding land use law

Governmental power and authority to zone

Comprehensive land use planning and zoning

Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment jurisdiction

Finding existing land use laws and regulations

Seeking zoning variances or rezoning Type

Types of approvals
The engineer's role in land use hearing

Local housing and redevelopment law

Outside agencies – timing and role

Post-approval Ou Participating in land use litigation and appeals

Affordable housing

Two takeaways – simple and important, but often skipped

Complying with Rules of Professional Conduct

W. Testa

Complying with New Jersey rules of professional conduct

Sealing of documents

Standards for responsible charge of engineering work

Unauthorized practice of engineering

National Society of Professional Engineers Codes and Canons

Understanding Adverse Possession

W. Lathrop

Different forms of possession

What gives rise to this claim How is it pursued

What is its effect on either clarifying or further muddying the chain of title

that surveyors must follow?

Is there a difference between adverse possession claims and trespassing? Is it true that there can be no adverse claims against a governmental entity?

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Learning Objectives

You'll be able to:

Learn the role of the engineer in eminent domain law and condemnation actions.

Understand applicable state and federal site contamination laws, and explore remediation and redevelopment.

Get tips on finding existing land use regulations and learn about seeking zoning variances or rezoning.

Learn to comply with New Jersey rules of professional conduct.

Examine the law of adverse possession.

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Study eminent domain and the condemnation process

Identify state and federal site contamination laws and explore the liability issues

Learn about governmental land use powers and the authority to zone

Study eminent domain and the condemnation process

Learn to comply with New Jersey rules of professional conduct

Discuss different forms of adverse possession

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Ms. Lathrop is licensed as a professional land surveyor in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, and Maryland, and as a professional planner in New Jersey. She holds a master's degree in Environmental Policy and has been involved in surveying since 1974 in projects ranging from construction to boundary to environmental land use disaputes. Ms. Lathrop is also a certified floodplain manager through the Association of State Flood Plain Managers (ASFPM) and a Certified floodplain surveyor through the New Jersey Society of Professional Land Surveyors. A former adjunct instructor at Mercer County College in New Jersey, she has also taught as part of the team for the licensing exam review course at Drexel University in Pennsylvania. Ms. Lathrop has been teaching seminars for surveyors since 1986 and has been writing articles for surveyors since 1983. She is also on the faculty of GeoLearn, a web-based educational provider. Ms. Lathrop is a past president of the New Jersey Society of Professional Land Surveyors and of the National Society of Professional Surveyors, and she has served on the Board of Directors for the American Association for Geodetic Surveying.

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