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Judicial Recusals at the Highest Level: A Reprise of Recent Events

(Ethics CLE Available)

There has been considerable discussion in the media recently concerning a spate of judicial ethics issues, including the circumstances under which a judge should or must recuse himself. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is the latest subject of criticism for maintaining contacts with an advocacy group that “often argues before the court” (*Los Angeles Times*, Thursday, March 11, 2004). Others have criticized Justice Antonin Scalia for not recusing himself in *Cheney v. U.S. District Court*. But what exactly does the Canon and case law say on such matters? Where do we best strike the balance on judges’ ability to speak out on matters of public and personal interest? On matters of association, is it practical (and even desirable) to expect judges to remain insulated from high level officials and the public square? Given the climate, will future potential judges be dissuaded from service? These and other important questions will be discussed by our panel of experts.

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Tuesday, April 6, 2004
12:00 noon - 2:00 p.m.
National Press Club
529 14th Street, N.W.
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Washington, D.C.

Lunch will be served.
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