

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

ELECTED AND APPOINTED



Blank Rome's Steven A. Shoumer, a partner in the firm's real estate group, was inducted as a fellow to the **American College of Mortgage Attorneys**.

SHOUMER

Shoumer concentrates his national practice in all aspects of real estate development, where he counsels financial institutions, private equity funds, real estate developers, institutional landlords, commercial tenants and public companies.

He is a member of the firm's Recruiting and Retention Committee, Finance Committee and Technology Committee and previously served as co-chair of the firm's summer program.

Shoumer also serves on the board of directors for **Philadelphia VIP** and **Ryan's Case for Smiles**.

SPEAKERS

Gross McGinley's employment group presented at the **Society for Human Resource Management** of the Lehigh Valley's two-day conference.

Over the two-day conference employment attorneys **Loren Speziale** and **Zachary Fowler** presented "Current Trends and Future

Possibilities Under the Fair Labor Standards Act" to over 50 attendees, during which they covered employee classification, joint employment, wage claims, minimum wage and undocumented worker rights, as well as "what to watch for" from the new administration and new legislation on the horizon.

Speziale counsels small to mid-sized businesses on corporate and employment matters including business formation, contracts, handbooks and policies and commercial real estate.

Fowler provides commercial litigation support to businesses in matters concerning employment discrimination, contract disputes, insurance defense and medical malpractice defense.

ADDITIONS



Benjamin E. Smith joined the law firm of **Leonard, Sciolla, Hutchison, Leonard & Tinari** as an associate.

Smith focuses his practice on catastrophic personal injury, medical malpractice, professional negligence, workers' compensation and commercial litigation.

SMITH

He is a graduate of **Temple University's Beasley School of Law** and he earned his bachelor's degree from **Arcadia University**.

Smith comes to Leonard Sciolla from a personal injury firm where he gained courtroom experience while handling cases.

He gained experience in the field interning for U.S. Magisterial Judge **Christopher Cerski** of the Montgomery County District Court and during an internship with **NFL Films**, where he helped license outside footage for use and reviewed contracts.

Smith is a member of both the Pennsylvania and New Jersey bars.

Rawle & Henderson added **Corrine E. Williams** to its Philadelphia office as an associate.

She concentrates her practice in the area of workers' compensation litigation.

Williams earned her law degree from **Temple University's Beasley School of Law** in 2016.

While attending law school, Williams worked with **Philadelphia Legal Assistance** as a custody and support assistance clinic advocate in the family law unit during the summer of 2015.

She served as a judicial intern for Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas Judge **Rayford A. Means** during the fall of 2014.

In addition, Williams was a judicial intern for Luzerne Court of Common Pleas Judge **Richard M. Hughes III** during the summer of 2014. •

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