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Richard I. Clark, Esq. Keynote Speaker At NJPO Educational Program

Sparta, NJ – Richard I. Clark, Esq., a Partner with Laddey Clark & Ryan, LLP, Sparta, NJ, spoke recently at a NJPO (New Jersey Planning Officials) Educational Program, designed for municipal Planning and Zoning Board of Adjustment members to meet the proposed training standards for these municipal officials. Clark, the sole attorney to participate in the Educational Program, specifically addressed attendees about ethics and how to identify conflicts, how to avoid procedural mistakes, offered assistance in the decision-making process and efficient meeting procedures.

The NJPO is an affiliate of the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, of which Clark is its Associate Counsel.

The Sussex County Planning Board co-sponsored the program, which was hosted by Sussex County Community College.

Clark is a frequent speaker at NJPO programs, often focusing on recent case law, legislative land use issues, COAH (Council on Affordable Housing) rules and the Highlands Act. He has also addressed an ICLE (Institute for Continuing Legal Education) Land Use Update Seminar.

Last year, Clark successfully defended Montville Township against a million dollar property damage claim brought by a sitting committeeman, which also named the former Montville Township Administrator. Clark acted as special counsel in the case, which was ultimately dismissed by State Superior Court Judge Donald Cramp.

Clark's practice at Laddey Clark & Ryan, LLP, focuses on Municipal Law, Zoning and Planning in addition to other areas of the law. Additionally, he is a member of the Land Use Drafting Committee of the League of Municipalities. He is a trustee of the Land Use Section of the State Bar Association.

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