

ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM

WHO IS NABCA?

The National Alcohol Beverage Control Association (NABCA) is the national association representing the 18 political jurisdictions that directly control the distribution and sale of alcohol beverages within their borders. While the Control State Systems were founded upon a common principal of market control, the exercise of that control has come to vary from state to state. Some states now control only at wholesale; while others have retained control at retail exclusively through government-operated stores. Some control the sale of wine as well as distilled spirits. Regulation and operational procedures vary from state to state. The Control State System works for the community the way community wants it to work.

Established in 1938, NABCA serves its members as an information clearinghouse and as a liaison to federal, state, and local governments; research and advocacy groups; the alcohol beverage industry; and other organizations impacting alcohol policy. It is the mission of NABCA to support alcohol control systems by providing resources, compiling research, and fostering relationships to address policy for the responsible sale and consumption of alcohol beverages.

WHY IS THE SYMPOSIUM UNIQUE?

The Symposium on Alcohol Beverage Law and Regulation is the only forum sponsored by a non-profit organization representing alcohol regulators focusing on legal issues from the perspective of regulators, policy makers and the alcohol beverage industry. Faculty and attendees include knowledgeable individuals who represent government and industry perspectives, as well as those who bring an impartial view of key issues impacting the participants. The scheduled program, coupled with ample time for informal networking, affords an excellent opportunity for a unique learning experience.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

The Symposium is ideal for state regulatory agency officials, corporate counsel, industry policy-makers who want to know how the current legal environment will shape their future operational decisions, and attorneys in private practice who advise industry members and work with state and federal regulatory agencies. The Symposium will examine legal issues from the perspectives of government regulators, beverage alcohol industry (suppliers, wholesalers and retailers), and policy makers. Representatives from every segment will find topics covered in the Symposium extremely timely and informative.

CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

The Symposium program is designed to qualify in states that have a Continuing Legal Education (CLE) requirement. Since it is impossible to pre-register the Symposium in all states with mandatory CLE, NABCA will cooperate with attendees in completing and submitting any forms necessary to obtain CLE credit for the course. Pre-approval will be obtained from some major jurisdictions. Attendees will be provided a uniform CLE attendance form for submission to their local jurisdiction.