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## University of Baltimore Law Professors Participate in the Maryland Judicial Institute Program

On March 24, 1983, University of Baltimore Law School Professors **Arnold Rochvarg** and **Al Porro** made presentations to the Maryland Judicial Institute, a continuing legal education program for judges in Maryland.

**Arnold Rochvarg**, a member of the Institute's Board of Directors chaired the program on *Judicial Review of Administrative Decisions*. Rochvarg lectured on the advantages of administrative decision making and how these advantages should be translated into an understanding of judicial review. He also addressed the approaches that a judge should take when handling these cases such as concepts of deference, agency expertise, the need for uniformity of decisions, the efficiency of decision making and separation of powers.

**Al (Alfred) Porro** lectured on new legal concepts in zoning. The presentation focused on the *Mt. Laurel II* decision which establishes that it is unconstitutional for a municipality to not provide low and moderate income housing "for a fair share for the region." Professor Porro also discussed the burdens of proof on the parties in zoning litigation, zoning and planning and what to look for in expert testimony in such litigation.

The Maryland Judicial Institute program was held at the University of Maryland, College Park. Other speakers in attendance included: Henry Lord, Piper & Marbury; Stan Abrams, Levitan, Ezrin, West & Kerxton; Dennis Sweeney, the Attorney General's Office; G. Joseph Sills, Commissioner on the Workmen's Compensation Commission.

## Faculty Colloquium on Business Organizations

The Faculty Colloquium on Business Organizations sponsored a panel discussion on the future of state regulation of corporate takeovers after the Supreme Court's recent decision in *Edgar v. MITE Corp.* on March 20, 1983 at the University of Baltimore Law Center. The program entitled *After the Fall: New Directions in State Regulation of Takeovers* included not only a discussion of the *MITE* decision, but also an analysis of several "second-generation" state takeover statutes, including two which were before the Maryland Legislature this Spring. These new statutes pose novel commerce clause and preemption issues, and once again bring to the fore the question of whether the states should play a role in the regulation of takeover battles. The panel members were Arthur W. Machen, Jr. of Venable, Baetjer & Howard; K. Houston Matney, Commissioner, Maryland Division of Securities; L. P. Scriggins of Piper & Marbury; and Professor **Mark A. Sargent** of the University of Baltimore School of Law. A discussion among the faculty and the students in attendance followed the initial presentations by the panel members.

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