



# Baltimore Estate Planning Council

## EVERYTHING YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT BEPC

### Goals and Objectives

- Provide an arena for sharing knowledge of estate planning among members
- Foster a better understanding among professionals in estate planning and related disciplines so they can work together more effectively
- Educate members in latest tools and techniques of estate planning
- Assist members in providing estate planning services of the highest quality to their clients and associates
- Encourage highest standards of professional and ethical conduct in the practice of estate planning

### Member Benefits and Services

- Bi-monthly meetings with national experts on estate planning and related topics that qualify for continuing education credits
- Networking opportunities with members, including attendance at annual meeting and cocktail reception in June.
- Pre-paid access to Leimberg Information

Services that includes analysis of proposed and recent legislation, regulations, cases and rulings by experts via members only area of NAEPC site. Or, you can access site at [www.leimbergservices.com](http://www.leimbergservices.com) and entering your user name and password. (For details on site access, see the Spring 2009 newsletter.)

- Dual membership in National Association of Estate Planners and Councils ([www.naepc.org](http://www.naepc.org)) with access to special pricing on webinars, seminars, publications and services
- Opportunity to join committees and have input.

Membership applications are available on the BEPC website at [www.baltimoreepc.org](http://www.baltimoreepc.org). Applications require sponsorships and signatures of at least two current Council members with at least one sponsor from a different firm or organization. For further assistance on membership questions, please contact the Council at 410-465-7011 or email [BEPC@rxassociationmgt.com](mailto:BEPC@rxassociationmgt.com).

### DID YOU KNOW....

- As a member of BEPC, you are also a member of NAEPC?
- We are the 10th largest Estate Planning Council out of 220 current councils?
- We have over 300 members in BEPC?
- There are over 26,000 national members?
- Software, marketing and website design services
- Subscriptions and industry publications

Educational and continuing education opportunities:

Have you visited the BEPC website lately [www.baltimoreepc.org](http://www.baltimoreepc.org)? Items that may be of interest to you are:

- Details of next meeting and calendar of remaining events
- Ability to register online for upcoming meetings
- Access to membership directory
- Gold and Silver sponsor listings
- Link to NAEPC website
- Educational opportunities
- Information on Accredited Estate Planner (AEP) designation

- FPA Estate Planning Webinar – Elder Care Law, February 18, 2010, 12 to 1 p.m. (go to [www.fpamd.org](http://www.fpamd.org) to register and obtain more details). Check out website for more upcoming events.
- NAPFA National Conference, Chicago, IL, May 19 – 21, 2010 (go to [www.napfa.org](http://www.napfa.org) for more details on this and other conferences)
- 2010 Maryland CPA Summit, June 28-29, 2010, Hilton Baltimore BWI Airport (visit [www.macpa.org](http://www.macpa.org) for details and other events)

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- NAEPC 47th Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, November 17-19, 2010 (visit [www.naepc.org](http://www.naepc.org) for details and other events)

### What's behind the scenes of BEPC?

- Board meetings held five times a year to address the needs of BEPC
- Committees formed to address the following:
- Speakers, programs and continuing education
- Membership and eligibility
- Public relations (newsletter, brochure)
- Obtaining and maintaining sponsorship to fund meetings

If you are interested in serving on a committee, please contact Anna Leonhardt at BEPC Headquarters: 410-465-7011, or send an email to [BEPC@rxassociationmgt.com](mailto:BEPC@rxassociationmgt.com).

## MICPEL TO CLOSE AT THE END OF FEBRUARY 2010

After 34 years of providing CLE to Maryland's lawyers, MICPEL, the Maryland Institute of Continuing Professional Education for Lawyers, will close its doors on February 28, 2010. MICPEL, created as a 501 (c) (3) corporation with its own Board of Trustees and Officers in 1976 by the Maryland State Bar Association, the University of Maryland School of Law and University of Baltimore School of Law, has served as a valued CLE resource for Maryland lawyers.

According to MICPEL's Board of Trustees, the primary reason cited for its closing was "a lack of financial resources which impeded MICPEL's ability to adopt new technology, develop new products and maintain sufficient staffing levels to generate the revenue to cover its necessary operating expenses."

## MEMBERS ON THE MOVE

### Jeffrey Radowich named to Baltimore Best Lawyers

Best Lawyers, the oldest and most respected peer-review publication in the legal profession, has named Jeffrey J. Radowich as the "Baltimore *Best Lawyers* Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year" for 2010.

Best Lawyers compiles its lists of outstanding attorneys by conducting exhaustive peer-review surveys in which thousands of leading lawyers confidentially evaluate their professional peers. The current, 16th edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* (2010), is based on more than 2.8 million detailed evaluations of lawyers by other lawyers.

*To include your member news in future issues of the BEPC Newsletter, send it to [bepc@rxassociationmgt.com](mailto:bepc@rxassociationmgt.com)*

### Ober/Kaler Attorneys Names Maryland Super Lawyers

Three BEPC members from Ober/Kaler have been named to the "Top 50" Super Lawyers Section of the *Maryland Super Lawyers* 2010 issue, published in January 2010.

Listed under the Estate Planning & Probate section are: John P. Edgar and Matthew A Mace. Also noted as a Maryland Rising Star is Alexis Rohde.

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