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Professor Anthony J. Santoro Business Law Lecture

Thursday, 09/22/2016 @ 5:00pm Location: Omni Hotel Providence



Enforcing Insider Trading Laws: The Changing Landscape

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5:00 pm Registration 5:30 pm Lecture 6:30 pm Reception Omni Hotel Providence One West Exchange Street Providence, Rhode Island

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Stephen L. Cohen served as Associate Director in the Securities and Exchange Commission's Division of Enforcement from 2011-2016. In that capacity, Steve oversaw a broad range of domestic and international

enforcement activities, including investigations involving accounting and disclosure fraud, insider trading, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, registered and unregistered securities offerings, market abuses, broker-dealers, investment advisers and other regulated entities. Steve rejoined the Division in 2011 after spending two years as Senior Advisor to SEC Chairman Mary Schapiro. In that capacity, he advised the Chairman concerning policy and administrative matters focusing mostly on Enforcement and Compliance issues, legislative matters, Congressional hearings, and coordination with other government agencies. Steve was intimately involved in various aspects of the Dodd-Frank Act, including substantial involvement with the whistleblower legislation and subsequent rulemaking. Prior to joining the Chairman's staff, Steve served as Assistant Chief Litigation Counsel in the Division of Enforcement. Steve has also worked in private practice and as a trial attorney at the US Department of Justice where he was part of the Attorney General's Honors Program. He clerked for a federal judge in Miami and is a graduate of the University of Miami School of Law and Boston University.

Program

Welcome

MICHAEL J. YELNOSKY Roger Williams University School of Law Dean & Professor of Law

Opening Remarks

ANTHONY J. SANTORO Roger Williams University President Emeritus & Professor of Law

> Introduced by Brandon J. Cuffy, Esq. '14

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This series is a wonderful tribute to Professor Santoro's distinguished career as a legal educator, a past president of Roger Williams University and the founding dean of Roger Williams University School of Law.

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