LCLD Fellows Program Leadership Lunch: Citizens Energy Group & Ice Miller LLP

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Speakers:

Jennett Hill, Vice President and General Counsel, Citizens Energy Group; 2011 LCLD Fellow Steven Humke, Chief Managing Partner, Ice Miller LLP

Agenda:

12:00 - 12:30 pm	Fellows Networking
12:30 - 12:45 pm	Introductions
12:45 - 2:00 pm	Discussion and Q&A



JENNETT HILL serves as Vice President and General Counsel for Citizens Energy Group. She joined the utility after working as a partner at law firm Faegre Baker Daniels since 2001.

While practicing nonprofit and tax-exempt law at Faegre Baker Daniels, Hill also provided legal and business guidance in corporate governance, intellectual property,

internet, and privacy matters. The daughter of an Army officer, Hill helped the Indiana National Guard form a foundation to raise money for a memorial to recognize the guard and its mission. She also led her law firm's efforts toward creating the Indiana Lawyers for Soldiers program, organized with the guard, the Indiana State Bar Association, Indianapolis Bar Association, the Indiana Bar Foundation, and the Indiana Pro Bono Commission. The effort offers pro bono legal services to deployed guard members and their families.

Prior to joining the firm, Hill worked at IBM for over 10 years in a variety of areas, including as a systems engineer, a systems design consultant, and as a regional manager. She also served as a law clerk to then-Justice Frank Sullivan, Jr. on the Indiana Supreme Court from May 1998 through January 2000.

Hill earned her J.D. from the Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, where she served as notes editor of the *Indiana Law Review*. She earned a B.A. in political science and French from DePauw University.



STEVE HUMKE serves as the Chief Managing Partner of Ice Miller and is a senior corporate lawyer with extensive experience in negotiating, managing, and completing complex business and financing transactions. Most of his clients are entrepreneurs, but he also represents several private equity firms and has played a role in many of the larger business transactions completed in Indiana during the past decade.

Many of his clients do not employ in-house counsel and Humke serves as the primary legal advisor to the board of directors and CEOs of these companies. He serves both as lead lawyer on issues involving commercial contracts, financing, corporate governance, and acquisitions/joint ventures, and manages the legal projects involving litigation, labor and employment matters, and other issues outside his areas of substantive experience.

Humke advises his clients in obtaining financing through a variety of alternative funding sources, including equity capital, mezzanine capital, and senior loans. He has led a variety of transactions, ranging from relatively straightforward "friends and family" equity rounds and senior loan financings to larger equity raises with venture capital funds in amounts ranging from \$2 million to \$85 million, to multi-tiered equity and debt financings involving equity, senior debt, and mezzanine debt tranches, to initial public offerings and Rule 144A debt placements. Humke has participated in approximately 40 venture capital financings, 12 IPO's, 4 144A transactions and 60 private equity or debt placements.

He also is an active mergers and acquisitions lawyer, with a particular focus on middle-market deals. He has led more than 100 completed transactions, representing the buyer about 50 percent of the time and the seller about 50 percent of the time. Approximately 40 percent of the transactions have involved private equity funds and the remaining 60 percent have involved strategic buyers. Transaction sizes have ranged from less than \$50 million to \$3.8 billion, with the majority being \$100 million or less, and have involved companies in various industries including business services, consumer products, manufacturing, construction and building materials, agri-business, as well as software and technology.

Humke graduated *summa cum laude* from Duke University in 1981. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Between college and law school he practiced as a certified public accountant. He graduated *cum laude* from the University of Chicago Law School in 1985. He spent the first seven years of his practice in Washington, D.C. where he spent the bulk of his time in New York City conference rooms negotiating, structuring, and documenting large transactions. He returned to the Midwest in 1992 with the goal of becoming more involved in participating in the strategic decisions that drive transactions, not simply documenting them.

Humke has been selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*© since 2006 and has been named to the *Indiana Super Lawyers* list each year since 2004. In 2007, he was profiled by *Super Lawyers* for his work on the Indiana Toll Road transaction, one of the first and largest public infrastructure transactions in U.S. highway history. In addition, he has been recognized by *Chambers USA* as one of the leading attorneys in corporate/mergers and acquisitions.

In his free time he enjoys reading American history, about which he knows a good deal, and playing golf, about which he knows nothing. He is admitted to practice law in the state of Indiana and in Washington, D.C.

