



## Michael Zetlin Moderates Panel at Building Information Modeling (BIM) Conference

New York

Zetlin & De Chiara is pleased to announce that Michael Zetlin served as moderator on a panel at the "Building Information Modeling - Improved Life Cycle Management, Maintenance and Enhanced Energy Performance" conference sponsored by the firm and presented by Baruch College's Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute

The conference, which focused on how Building Information Modeling (BIM) is enhancing the real estate industry today, took place on February 28 and attracted more than 300 attendees. It featured many experts from the architectural, engineering, construction and real estate industries. BIM, a model-based technology that utilizes one database for all design and construction elements and processes to provide a digital representation of the physical and functional characteristics of a facility, allows for potential conflicts to be averted before they arise, solves logistical challenges, avoids design and trade conflicts, and can save significant time and costs toward project completion.



Zetlin & De Chiara is at the forefront of legal issues in BIM management. The firm has presented and written on this topic, as well as other cutting-edge design and construction topics, and continues to advise clients on the benefits and challenges of new technologies and construction delivery methods.

Michael S. Zetlin, founder of Zetlin & De Chiara and graduate civil engineer as well as an attorney, has successfully litigated complex multi-million dollar construction claims and actively consults with clients on general business matters, construction contracting and risk management. Mr. Zetlin represents owners, developers, architects, engineers, construction managers, contractors and other parties in the construction industry. He serves as General Counsel to the New York Building Congress and the American Institute of Architects, New York Chapter. He is a Fellow of the American College of Construction Lawyers, a co-editor of New York Construction Law and an adjunct professor at Columbia University, teaching the graduate program "Legal Issues in Building Construction."

## **ATTORNEYS**

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