



## Zetlin & De Chiara Joins Key Experts in Conference on Urban Resilience

New York

Zetlin & De Chiara is pleased to announce that the firm is participating in a topical conference "Futureproofing Our Cities: Urban Resilience, At What Cost?" on March 14. Partners Michael De Chiara and Raymond Mellon will lead panel discussions with key experts.

Presented by The Steven L. Newman Real Estate Institute, this half-day conference, taking place on March 14 at The William and Anita Newman Conference Center, will focus on the economic challenges, opportunities, and pathways to creating urban regions that are more resilient physically, socially, and economically. Using the New York metropolitan region as a case study, the goal is to focus on the costs and benefits of remaking our urban built and natural environments. Speakers include Governor Cuomo's new energy czar, Richard Kauffman, and a host of government, not-for-profit and industry leaders.

To register, go to the event website [here](#).

Michael K. De Chiara, a Founding Partner of Zetlin & De Chiara LLP, is experienced in virtually all aspects of the law as it relates to the design and construction industry. In addition to litigation and contractual matters, he often advises clients on financial affairs and general business matters

covering partnership law, corporate law, employment law, and professional practice matters, including ownership transition and licensing issues. Mr. De Chiara serves as general counsel to many of the country's larger engineering and architectural firms, and represents owners, developers, engineers, architects, construction managers, contractors and other parties in the construction industry. Mr. De Chiara has successfully handled some of the largest design and construction cases in recent times and has represented clients in proceedings before the United States Senate.

Raymond T. Mellon, a Senior Partner of Zetlin & De Chiara LLP, is a leading construction litigator and experienced trial lawyer with an extensive background in representing prominent architectural, engineering and contracting firms on business negotiations and in litigation. In addition to actively consulting with clients on general business matters, construction contract drafting and negotiation, and risk management strategies, Mr. Mellon has successfully represented many design professionals in disciplinary and licensing proceedings before the City and State of New York. Mr. Mellon has also successfully represented some of the largest developers in the United States and advises owners, developers, engineers, architects, construction managers, contractors and other parties in the construction industry.

## ATTORNEYS

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