

2026 HEREL ANNUAL CONFERENCE

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

November 5 and 6, 2026

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 4, 2026

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Welcome Reception (optional) [The Bar at Commons Club, Virgin Hotel & Casino](#)

Thursday, November 5, 2026

University of Nevada, Las Vegas – [Tam Alumni Center, Marietta Tiberti Grand Hall](#)

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast**
Arrival and Registration

9:00 a.m. **Conference Welcome**

9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. **Session 1 – Construction Insurance in Higher Education: Mastering Controlled Insurance Programs (CIPs), and Their Interaction with other Insurances**

Moderator: [Gregory R. Faulkner, Partner, Robinson + Cole](#)

Panelists: [Paul Cicerchia](#), EVP/Real Estate Practice Leader, [McGriff](#)
[J. Eric Getty](#), SVP/Internal Construction Counsel, [McGriff](#)
[Clint Provost](#), SVP/Construction Practice Leader, [McGriff](#)
[Evan Aldrich](#), National Construction Practice Leader, [CRC](#)

This program will provide insight into “Controlled” or “Wrap” insurance programs, how and why they are implemented and how they operate fundamentally, and differ from traditional insurance. The speakers will explore the anatomy of a controlled insurance program, how it is structured, how parties enroll, and how they are administered. The panel will also explore how these programs interact with other insurances required on a construction project, and the importance of insurances such as builder’s risk, professional liability, pollution liability, bonds or SDI, and other coverages integral to a well-protected construction project.

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Session 2 – The Art & Science of Student Housing P3s: Our Students and Other People's Money**

Moderator: [Dan Piper](#), Senior Associate General Counsel, University of Minnesota

Panelists: [Karl D. Camillucci](#), Partner [Taft](#)
[Scott Abrams](#), Senior Principal Counsel, Real Estate, University of California

The market and interest surrounding privatized student housing continue to grow and evolve across the country. This panel will attempt to provide an analytical framework and discipline for the decision-making, negotiations and transactional process associated with executing a student housing public-private partnership. The presentation will survey the most common transaction structures and provide a deeper investigation of the key legal points, risks and considerations in implementing these projects. The objective of this presentation is to share practical knowledge and tools to help support the critical role of the University’s counsel in these projects.

11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. **Lunch** – Buffet Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Session 3 – Leases of Clinical Space: Special Considerations in Light of Stark, Anti Kickback and Medicare**

Presenter: [Scott McBride](#), Partner, [Morgan Lewis](#)

This session will review the special regulatory issues that arise in leasing clinical spaces and how the structure of academic medical centers can affect how real estate lawyers approach leases. The focus will be on determining when these laws are implicated, how to structure leases, subleases and other real estate transactions in compliance with these laws, and special documentation requirements as well as payment considerations.

2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Session 4 – From UNLV Hospitality Hall to the UNLV Medical Education Building: Comparing Traditional and Innovative Approaches to Campus Development

Presenters: [David Frommer](#), Assoc. VP of Planning, Construction & Real Estate, UNLV; [Mandy S. Shavinsky](#), Partner, Snell & Wilmer

UNLV will present two recent signature campus projects that illustrate distinct approaches to higher education facility development. The session will examine the financing and construction of Hospitality Hall, the state-of-the-art academic home of the William F. Harrah College of Hospitality that opened in 2018, alongside the more complex financing and delivery structure used for the Medical Education Building, which opened in 2022. Participants will gain insight into the opportunities, challenges, and lessons learned from implementing both traditional and innovative models for delivering major capital projects in a university setting.

3:30 p.m.

Walking Tour of UNLV's College of Hospitality

4:00 p.m.

General Walking Tour of UNLV's main campus

6:30 p.m.

Dinner Reception: [Maggiano's Little Italy](#)
(bus leaves hotel at [6pm](#))

9:30 p.m.

Bus ride back to Virgin Hotel & Casino

Friday, November 6, 2026

University of Nevada, Las Vegas – Tam Alumni Center, Marietta Tiberti Grand Hall

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast & Business Meeting

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Session 5 – Beyond the Classroom: Commercial Leasing for Educational Institution Landlords and Tenants

Presenter: [Vanessa P. Moody](#), Director, [Goulston & Storrs](#)

An interactive session addressing commercial lease considerations relevant to circumstances where either the landlord or the tenant is an educational institution. The session will use a typical commercial lease as the basis for the discussion, focusing on the provisions that may be uniquely negotiated to address the needs and concerns of an educational institution party. Topics to be addressed include UBTI, student safety, use restrictions and campus operations

10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

Session 6 – Due Diligence Pitfalls: Title and Survey Review and Mitigation of Risks

Presenter: [Kathleen A. Keyser](#), Partner, [Morgan Lewis](#)

Panelist: [Gerald J. Castro](#), Vice President & Regional Counsel, [Fidelity National Title Group](#)

During this session we will review the basics of title and survey diligence and key tools and resources for insuring against risk with a focus on risk mitigation through policy coverage.

11:30 a.m.

Conference concludes with a box lunch