

# LEGAL ISSUES WEBINAR

## Antitrust & False Claims Act



February 9, 2021  
10:00am to 12:00pm  
Registration Deadline February 2, 2021

**Overview:** Entering into a new year, new challenges and opportunities will exist for Virginia's paving industry. These may be new projects, new products or new ventures. To make sure the year gets off on the right foot, VAA is hosting a legal issues webinar covering Antitrust and the False Claim Act.

Antitrust laws apply to virtually all industries and to every level of business. These laws prohibit a variety of practices that could monopolize or restrain trade, such as price-fixing, bid rigging, and corporate mergers to reduce the competitive vigor of particular markets, and predatory acts designed to achieve or maintain monopoly power. In the late 1970s and early 1980s, some companies and individuals in the asphalt industry were indicted and convicted of violating these laws.

### PRELIMINARY AGENDA

10:00 – 10:10	Introduction & Opening Comments
10:10 – 11:00	Antitrust Laws - Hugh Fain, Esq.
11:00 – 11:50	False Claims Act - Joe Kasimer, Esq.
11:50—12:00	Closing Comments

It is advisable to periodically review antitrust laws and VAA's Antitrust Policies and Procedures. Therefore, in this webinar Mr. Hugh Fain, Esq. will cover current antitrust laws, review the antitrust violations of the 1970's, discuss recent antitrust cases, and provide best practices to avoid antitrust violations.

The False Claims Act dates back to 1863 when Congress was concerned about suppliers providing unsatisfactory goods to the Union Army. Essentially, companies were profiting by defrauding the government and Army. Today, the False Claims Act can and has been applied to highway construction projects. Court cases have spanned issues from falsifying lab results to completion of work activities. As with antitrust, it is advisable companies and their employees are familiar with the actions covered by the False Claims Act, the associated liability, and the damages and penalties that could be assessed. Mr. Joe Kasimer, Esq. will cover the Act and recent court cases around the US.

**Who Should Attend:** This webinar will provide important information for individuals at all levels of a company.

**Registration:** Online registration for this webinar can be found at [vaasphalt.org](http://vaasphalt.org). The registration fee is \$50 per person or \$250 per site. Registration must be paid before the event.

**Cancellation & Payment Policy:** Payment must be received before the event. Cancellations are required 7 business days before the webinar for refund of registration fee.

**Hugh Fain, Esq.:** Hugh Fain of Spotts Fain, PC in Richmond, Virginia, has been a litigator and dispute resolver for over thirty years. With broad experience as a civil trial attorney, his practice has focused on commercial and business litigation, including contract disputes, business torts, employment law, intellectual property, construction litigation, and shareholder and partnership disputes. Hugh is licensed in both Texas and Virginia.



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### **Joseph H. Kasimer, Senior Counsel:**

Joe Kasimer of Rees Broome, PC in Tysons Corner, Virginia, has nearly 40 years of experience with construction contract claims with the Virginia Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, and other government bodies, as well as in private construction projects. A graduate of Yale University and George Washington Law School, he has been an active member of VAA and VTCA for many years. For many years he has been listed in "Best Lawyers in America" in the area of Construction Litigation.



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