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NCHER Spring Legal Meeting: Preliminary Agenda Now Available

NCHER will hold its Spring Legal Meeting on Thursday, April 20, 2023 at the law offices of Ballard Spahr in Philadelphia (1735 Market Street, 51st Floor). This one-day meeting should be of interest to lawyers and non-lawyers alike. The registration fee is $400 for members and $500 for nonmembers. For more information or to register, visit the NCHER website.

The preliminary agenda was just released and includes many important topics of interest to the membership. This includes sessions such as a Washington Update that will cover student loan forgiveness and the new income driven repayment plan; an update on recent developments impacting the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; a discussion of Federal Student Aid initiatives affecting guarantors and third-party servicers; opportunities and challenges of AI; federal and state privacy protections; bankruptcy developments; and insurance and risk management. While NCHER is making arrangements for a remote option, registrants should be aware that active participation for remote registrants will be limited. Please indicate when registering whether you will...
attend in person or virtually.

Attendees will need to make their own hotel reservations. There are several hotels within walking distance of the law firm. A non-exclusive list is posted on our website.

Finally, Ballard Spahr is reserving space in its suite at Citizens Bank Park for the Thursday (April 20) night game between the Philadelphia Phillies and the Colorado Rockies. Please let Shelly Repp know if you would like to stay for the game or if you have any additional questions. He can be reached at srepp@ncher.org.

We hope to see you in Philadelphia!

**CFPB Issues Final Rule Making Minor Changes to Regulations F and Z**

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB) recently issued a final rule to make non-substantive corrections and updates to contact information found in several regulations, including Regulation F implementing the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act and Regulation Z implementing the Truth in Lending Act. For both instances, the Bureau is updating its contact information that must be provided with adverse action notices under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and contact information that is used by entities requesting interpretations of federal regulations.

**U.S. Department of Education News**

For today’s Federal Register, click [here](#).

**General News**

[Market Watch](#) publishes an article examining the recent lawsuit filed by SoFi challenging the U.S. Department of Educaitions’ federal student loan payment pause issued in November 2022.

[insideARM](#) reports on effort to reform the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau being pushed by the House Financial Services Committee Republicans.

[CNBC](#) examines what student loan borrowers need to know for the 2023 tax season.
Business Insider reports that a number of borrowers who paid down their federal student loans during the pandemic and then requested refunds of those voluntary payments but have yet to receive them.

Real Clear Education published an opinion piece saying that the nation failed to stop the student loan debt crisis, but let's prevent the next one.