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Briggs Attorney Participates at CIDRAP National Summit

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. (February 16, 2007) – Attorney Greg Stenmoe, of Briggs and Morgan, Professional Association, was one of three attorneys chosen nationally as a participant of “Business Preparedness for Pandemic Influenza: Second National Summit.” The event, sponsored by the Minnesota Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP), was held Feb. 5-6, 2007, in Orlando, Florida.

“For those of us closely involved with this issue, it was gratifying to see that major corporations and leaders across the country continue to take pandemic influenza very seriously and have made substantial progress with their contingency plans, even if the media has lost interest,” says Stenmoe, who spoke about anticipating and managing legal issues. “The reality is that this threat is as real as ever and there many unresolved issues, especially in the legal arena. So it is imperative that businesses continue with their planning, coordinate with government and above all, not succumb to ‘pandemic fatigue.’”

Stenmoe accompanied infectious disease expert and CIDRAP Director Michael Osterholm to the event. He was one of three attorneys chosen to participate in a breakout session entitled “Anticipating and Managing Legal Issues.” The summit also involved a number of other high-profile speakers, including the Honorable Madeleine Albright, who discussed the implications of politics and globalization for pandemic influenza planning and response.

CIDRAP’s summit, the second since 2006, was developed to provide current, comprehensive information on responding to pandemic influenza and business continuity planning. Representatives from about 200 corporations and other organizations were reportedly in attendance.

[Greg Stenmoe](#) is a frequent speaker on the topic of legal matters associated with the potential of pandemic influenza. He was instrumental in founding the October 2006 pandemic summit co-hosted by Briggs and Morgan and the Business Continuity Planners Association (BCPA), in conjunction with the State of Minnesota and Minnesota business and community leaders, where he spoke about legal issues implicated by pandemic influenza in the areas of human resource management, business planning and governmental authority. He has led presentations on the subject before various clients, human resources personnel and legal counsel at firm seminars, as well as at the Employment Law Institute. Greg is a shareholder with Briggs and Morgan, and a member of the firm’s labor and employment law section. He practices principally in employment litigation, employment law counseling and employment law training.

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