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Penn. Continuing Legal Education Board Names Cognistar Accredited Online Provider

Penn. Lawyers Can Earn CLE Credits Online Starting in 2003

MECHANICSBURG, Penn., December 19, 2002—The Pennsylvania Continuing Legal Education Board has named Cognistar Corporation an accredited provider of online continuing legal education courses, making the company's full course catalog available to Pennsylvania's 40,500 lawyers.

Starting in January 2003, Pennsylvania lawyers may earn three CLE credits per year with Internet or computer courses, out of the 12 required annually.

The board, a unit of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court, spent about two years holding hearings and meeting with vendors. Accredited course providers must meet stringent requirements on content quality and interactivity and certify that attorneys complete courses. The pilot project lasts two years.

"The Pennsylvania CLE Board has moved forward in a methodical, thoughtful way that protects the interests of the courts and lawyers while welcoming new technology," said Charles F. Huxsaw, vice president of acquisitions and market development for Cognistar.

The largest provider of online legal education, Cognistar (www.cognistar.com) serves many of the nation's biggest law firms and corporate law departments, as well as medium-sized and small firms. With online courses, lawyers don't have to take time off and lose billable hours to attend seminars. They can learn anytime, anyplace. Additionally, Cognistar handles reporting to the CLE Board and for each course provides a certificate of completion that can be printed when needed.

Available around the clock, Cognistar courses cover professional responsibility, business counseling, e-commerce law, employment law, intellectual property, litigation, mergers and acquisitions, practice skills and management, regulatory and tax, and securities law. The instructors are national experts affiliated with academic institutions, large corporations and top law firms such as Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Ford Motor Company, University of Miami School of Law, Georgetown University Law Center and Northwestern University School of Law.

The Cognistar online learning platform lets students hear, see and read the presentation. Also provided are a transcript, a course textbook and supplemental materials that include legal citations, additional video clips and other relevant texts. The site automatically monitors the time the attorney spent and lets users interrupt and resume sessions by using a progress bar.

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