





Ag Technology & The Law:

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Wednesday, August 15

7:00 – 8:00	Registration & Breakfast (Convention Center, Wally Allen Ballroom B&C)
8:00 – 8:15	Welcome from Arkansas Attorney General Leslie Rutledge
8:15 – 9:15	Ag Tech & the Law: Landscape & Emerging Issues
	Todd Janzen, Janzen Ag Law
9:15 – 10:30	Issues for States' Attorney General
	Hon. Leslie Rutledge, Arkansas Attorney General
	Justin Lavene, Nebraska Attorney General's Office; Agriculture, Environmental & Natural
	Resources Bureau Chief
	Wes Ward, Secretary, Arkansas Department of Agriculture
	Harrison Pittman, Director, National Agricultural Law Center
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45- 11:45	All Data Big & Small: Legal Issues Surrounding Agricultural Data
	Dr. Shannon Ferrell, Oklahoma State University
11:45 – 1:30	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:30 – 2:45	Ag Tech Pitfalls and Barriers: Industry Perspectives
	Chris Fink, Founder & COO, Unmanned Vehicle Technologies
	Megan E. Lyman, Corporate Counsel, AgTech Accelerator Corp.
	Todd L. Martin, CEO, Independent Professional Seed Association
2:45 – 3:00	Break
3:00 – 4:00	Genetic Editing of Crops and Animals: State & Federal Regulation
	Thomas P. Redick, Global Environmental Ethics Counsel (GEEC), LLC
	Eric Williams, Partner, Barnes & Thornburg LLP
	Moderated by Andrew Varcoe, Partner, Boyden Gray and Associates
4:00 – 5:00	Biotechnology & Legal Ethics
	Drew Kershen, Earl Sneed Centennial Professor of Law Emeritus, The University of Oklahoma
	College of Law
6:00 - 9:00	"Beer, BBQ, & Bluegrass" dinner reception at Riverwalk Pavilion

Thursday, August 16

7:00 - 8:00	Registration & Breakfast (Convention Center, Wally Allen Ballroom B&C)
8:00 - 8:15	Welcome from Dr. Mark Cochran, Vice President, UA System Division of Agriculture
8:15 – 9:15	Global Theft of U.S. Ag Technology
	Jennie Nichols, Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation
9:15 – 10:15	Hot Topics in Pesticide Litigation & Regulation
	Karen Ellis Carr, Partner, Arent & Fox, Washington, D.C.
10:15 - 10:30	Break
10:30– 11:30	Legal Ethics Considerations in the Ag Tech World
	Mark Henry, Rose Law Firm
11:30 – 12:30	Lunch on Site; Keynote Speaker Governor Asa Hutchinson
12:30 – 1:45	Ag Sustainability & Ag Tech: Blockchain and Beyond
	Mark Pryor, CEO, The Seam
	Kevin Igli, Senior Vice President & Chief Environmental Officer; Tyson Foods, Inc
	Sam Schatz, Aerofarms, Managing Director, Corporate Development
1:45 – 3:00	State Ag Departments & Regulation of Technology
	Teena Gunter, General Counsel at Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food & Forestry
	Brad Deacon, Director, Office of Legal Affairs, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs
	Clint Quarles, Staff Attorney, Kentucky Department of Agriculture