

# Tips & Best Practices for Seminar Advertising Compliance

### **Seminar Invitations and Promotions**

- Make sure you disclose the event as an insurance presentation (and in some states you must describe it as an "insurance sales presentation")
- Avoid terms such as "class", "course", "instructor", "educational "workshop" or other similar terms.

### **Seminar Content**

- ▶ Disclose all material information to consumers in each discussion; do not omit or misstate key facts or features
- ▶ Present only material that is consistent with producer licensing (i.e., insurance-only professionals should not conduct investment product presentations)
- ► Avoid high pressure sales tactics, scare tactics, unwarranted and exaggerated claims and statements
- ▶ Do not attempt to isolate consumers or clients from others

### Rebates, Drawings and Gambling Laws

- ► Adhere to rebating/inducement regulations in each state generally found in the states' Unfair Trade Practices
- ► Consider gift cards, cash, gourmet meals, entertainment, client appreciation events, trips, etc.
- ▶ Review state gambling laws for any giveaways, drawings, etc.

# Want to make sure your seminar is complied? Summit can help!

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