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Workshop 8

Enhance Your Credit: Lease Guaranties, Security Deposits and Other Performance Enhancements

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- I. Introduction to Lease Guaranties, Security Deposits and Other Performance Enhancements
- II. Lease Guaranties, Letters of Credit and Security Deposits
 - A. Guaranties
 - 1. General Requirements
 - 2. Type and Scope of Guaranty
 - a. Payment and Performance Guaranties
 - b. Guarantor Obligations and Caps on Liability
 - 3. Term of Guaranty
 - 4. Defenses
 - a. Waivers
 - b. Lease Amendments without Guarantor Consent
 - c. Assignment and Sublease
 - d. Waiver of Subrogation and Subordination
 - e. Tenant Bankruptcy
 - B. Security Deposits
 - 1. General
 - 2. Size and Duration of Security Deposits
 - 3. Lease Provisions Governing Security Deposits
 - 4. Creditor's Rights
 - C. Letter of Credit as Security for Lease Obligations

- 1. General
- 2. Lease Provisions Concerning Letters of Credit
- 3. Letter of Credit Provisions
- 4. Bankruptcy Issues

III. Construction Bonds, Escrow Accounts and Other Techniques to Secure Performance of Construction Obligations

- A. Introduction Landlord and Tenant Concerns
- B. Escrow Accounts
- C. Construction Bonds
- D. Self-Help Rights
- IV. Conclusion

Exhibit A - Sample Form of Lease Guaranty