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**Join us virtually: Mid-South Ag/Environmental Law Conference to offer unique perspective on USDA farm program eligibility**

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**Fast facts:**

* The Mid-South conference set for June 10-11
* Conference will provide six CLE hours, with one hour of ethics.
* Maloney to speak on potential threats to farm eligibility
* Register online at: <https://bit.ly/3uXXvlm>

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FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Attorney Mark Daniel Maloney will help farmers recognize situations that may jeopardize eligibility for farm program payments during the eighth annual Mid-South Agricultural and Environmental Law Conference June 10-11.

Maloney, partner at Blackburn, Maloney and Schuppert, LLC, will present “Navigating USDA Farm Programs: A Lawyer’s Perspective,” on June 10. His session will highlight potential threats to eligibility for these programs. Maloney will serve as one of several speakers addressing agricultural, food, and environmental law issues for the Mid-South agricultural community.

“I look forward to sharing not-so-obvious pitfalls that can threaten a farming operation’s ability to receive farm program payments,” Maloney said. “Clients may be in these situations right now and not realize that there is a potential problem.”

“As an attorney, Maloney devotes a significant portion of his practice to agricultural law, in which he advises farmers, landowners, and related agricultural businesses,” National Agricultural Law Center director Harrison Pittman said. “His perspective on the issue of USDA farm program eligibility will be a tremendous benefit to attorneys, farmers, policymakers and other agricultural professionals.”

The conference, hosted by NALC, is scheduled for June 10-11 with Maloney speaking at 1 p.m. CDT, on Thursday.

The conference will be held virtually this year due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Registrants may also be eligible for continuing education credits. Those interested can register and learn more here: <https://bit.ly/3uXXvlm>. Early bird registration ends May 24.

For more information on the National Agricultural Law Center, visit <https://nationalaglawcenter.org/> or follow [@Nataglaw](https://twitter.com/nataglaw) on Twitter.

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The Center is a unit of the University of Arkansas System Division of Agriculture and works in close partnership with the USDA Agricultural Research Service, National Agricultural Library.

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