Panel Discussion
Pioneering Ethics: Palm Beach County

Panelists:

- **Alan Johnson**
  Prior to his selection as Chief Assistant State Attorney, Alan Johnson served as the founding executive director of the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics. In just over 3 years Mr. Johnson built a highly efficient office that authored over 250 advisory opinions and provided over 200 trainings to public officials, employees, advisory board members and members of the public. Before joining the COE, Mr. Johnson was a 17 year state prosecutor for the 15th Judicial Circuit in Palm Beach County. Mr. Johnson has also served in various capacities as a member and chairman of the Florida Bar Grievance Committee and the Unlicensed Practice of Law Committee as well as regularly serving as a volunteer youth court judge. Since 2000, Mr. Johnson has been a frequent instructor for the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association in areas including ethics for prosecutors, victim rights, homicide prosecution, evidence and jury selection. Mr. Johnson graduated from Columbia University in 1973 and obtained his law degree from Georgetown University Law Center in 1976.

- **Leonard Berger**
  Leonard Berger is Senior Assistant County Attorney for Palm Beach County where he has served since 1993. He is chief appellate counsel for the County Attorney’s Office, and also specializes in land use law and ethics compliance for public officials and employees. Mr. Berger was one of the principal drafters of the ordinances creating the Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics and the Code of Ethics. He received his J.D. from Nova University and B.A. and M.A. from Indiana University.

- **Bruce Lewis**
  Bruce N. Lewis is the Founder and CEO of L B Limited & Associates, Incorporated, a Strategic Public Relations company located in Downtown West Palm Beach. The firm has been in business for 21 years and specializes in public involvement processes directly related to large scale public/private Development projects. Bruce is responsible for new business development, strategic planning, Construction Program Management, corporate image development, brand strategies, business model development/refinement and serves as Sr. Program/Project Manager. Mr. Lewis has a BSEE Degree with a minor in Business Administration from the University of Minnesota and is a research oriented professional. Currently, Mr. Lewis serves as the Board Chairman of the City of West Palm Beach, Downtown Development Authority, a special Taxing District responsible for attraction/retention of both commercial and merchant business operations. Mr. Lewis served as the 2005/2006 Campaign Chairman for the United Way of Palm Beach County raising a record $15.5 million and was the first person of color to serve in this capacity in the County’s history.