

## Press Release



Attorney Cliff Rieders delivered a program for Celesq Attorneys Education Center entitled, “Poaching is Not Just About Eggs.” Celesq is the legal arm of the world’s largest legal publisher, West Publishing. Rieders has become a regular featured speaker for Celesq.

The lecture was delivered on August 4, 2021. Rieders produced copyrighted program materials in the form of a PowerPoint.

The Quixotic title of the seminar was drawn from the recent Pennsylvania Supreme Court case of *Pittsburgh Logistics v. Beemac Trucking*, decided in 2021. This case concerned the so-called “poaching” of employees of one company by another. Pittsburgh Logistics, PLS, and Beemac agreed that employees of PLS could not be hired by Beemac. The court found such an arrangement to violate public policy, to be a detriment to the labor force, to result in lower wages, and to be anti-competitive. The opinion brings into doubt the very popular covenants-not-to-compete that many employees are forced to sign when they achieve employment.

Rieders is a board-certified trial lawyer, cum laude graduate of New York University and Georgetown University Law Center. Rieders is a member of the Courts in Pennsylvania, New York and District of Columbia, as well as many federal courts and the Supreme Court of the United States.

The attorney is a Life Member of the American Law Institute, which writes commentary and proposed Rules for all 50 states. He is a Past President of the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, now Pennsylvania Association for Justice, and served as President of the Federal Bar Association, Central Pennsylvania Chapter.

Rieders is a noted trial lawyer, speaker and author of a number of textbooks.

Rieders is a long-time partner of the law firm of Rieders, Travis, Humphrey, Waters & Dohrmann, with its main office in Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and legal staff in Philadelphia as well.