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### 06/12/09 - Kaye & Bender's Attorney Speaks at Broward Coalition

**FORT LAUDERDALE, FL** - Attorney Michael Bender, firm member of Fort Lauderdale-based community association law firm Kaye & Bender P.L., was the featured speaker at a recent Broward Coalition meeting and served as an industry expert during a Florida Bar CLE course.

Bender spoke to Broward Coalition members about the collection/foreclosure process and the challenging economic times all Associations are facing. The Broward Coalition is a not-for-profit corporation that has been serving the community for more than 30 years with a membership that includes more than 200 condominiums, homeowners associations and community organizations.

One of nine speakers at a recent Florida Bar CLE course presented by the Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education Committee and the Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section, Bender presented with Deborah L. Ross of Stuart discussing the four "C's" that every association practitioner must address: conflict, confidentiality, counselor and communicating. The course covered issues facing today's community association practitioners.

Bender's areas of expertise include community associations, real estate and city code enforcement. He advises the firm's association clients on all aspects of community association operation.

Active with the Community Association Institute, Bender has served on the Board of Directors of the Southeast Florida Chapter since 2003 and as the Southeast Chapter President in 2005. Currently, he is also the Chapter's representative to the Florida Legislative Alliance and is an active member of the Condominium Committee of the Real Property Section of the Florida Bar.

A resident of Plantation, Bender graduated with honors from the John M. Olin School of Business at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo. He received his law degree from University of California, Hastings College of Law in San Francisco, Calif.

**About Kaye & Bender:** Kaye & Bender in Fort Lauderdale is a full service commercial law firm specializing in the representation of community associations since 1991. The firm provides legal services to more than 600 associations throughout Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties.