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We all know that Nevada is a one-of-a-kind and diverse place – the home to the gold standard of gaming regulation, world-class entertainment, top-notch sports franchises, and breathtaking outdoor experiences. The one thing that ties this diversity together is the Silver State's hospitality. We know how to treat residents and visitors alike to a good time. However, that level of hospitality can only be achieved by implementing a robust body of law. Whether it's protecting the jobs of hotel, casino, and food and beverage workers; a professional sports franchise raising money for a charitable cause; or a burgeoning industry not yet recognized by the federal government, hospitality professionals and their counsel have to navigate countless statutes, regulations, and case law meant to both protect and encourage growth in this state's most prominent industry.

Next time you go out for dinner, drinks, or a show, go ahead and tip your bartenders, servers, and valets a little more than usual. They deserve it for being the backbone of the hospitality industry and this state, and the reason many of us are gainfully employed ourselves. Please enjoy this issue.

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- **Networking and Bar Involvement:** May 20, 2022
- **Ethics:** June 17, 2022
- **Pro Bono:** July 15, 2022
- **Estate Planning:** Aug. 19, 2022

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- Unsolicited submissions should be 1,500 words or less.
- Please keep endnotes to a minimum – 10 or less.
- Articles authored by Nevada attorneys are strongly preferred.

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