Bankruptcy Act provisions, product liability among University of Montana law institute topics January 8-11

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Bankruptcy Act provisions and product liability relating to sales are among more than a dozen topics involving the Uniform Commercial Code to be discussed Jan. 8-11 during the UCC Institute at Big Mountain Ski Resort near Whitefish, Mont.

The institute is for lawyers, bankers and other members of the business community involved with UCC regulations. The program is one segment of Continuing Legal Education--Montana (CLEM), sponsored through the University of Montana School of Law and the Montana Bar Association.

Robert E. Sullivan, UM law dean, who serves as chairman of Continuing Legal Education Committee of the MBA, said that 49 of the nation's 50 states have adopted the Uniform Commercial Code, with Louisiana the only one not doing so.

The Uniform Commercial Code was adopted by the Montana Legislature in 1963 and serves as a guideline for those involved in a wide range of business dealings including product liability, investment securities, contract rights, credit letters, bills of lading and other documents of title.

Sullivan said conferences Jan. 8-11 are scheduled from 8:30-11 a.m. and from 4-6:30 p.m. to provide release time for skiing and other forms of recreation. Conference registration is Jan. 7.

First formal meeting on the agenda will be headed by Donald J. Rapson, a practicing attorney from Asbury Park, N.J. He will discuss sales and product liability beginning at 9 a.m. Jan. 8.

Other institute participants will include Glenn R. Coates, a lawyer from Racine, Wisc.; Carl Felsenfeld, assistant general counsel of C.I.T. Corporation, New York City; William R. Klaus and Fairfax Leary Jr., Philadelphia lawyers; Roy L. Steinheimer Jr., dean of the Washington and Lee University School of Law, Lexington, Va.

Coates, Klaus and Steinheimer were featured in previous UCC conferences in Montana in 1964.