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**ANSELL GRIMM & AARON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION GROUP PARTNER DAVID BYRNE
SPEAKS AT NJ COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS INSTITUTE ON HOPA COMPLIANCE BEST PRACTICES**

Ansell Grimm & Aaron, PC, Partner David Byrne Leads a Discussion Highlighting How New Jersey Community Association Managers Can Comply with the Housing for Older Persons Act

PRINCETON, NJ – How can community association, condo, and co-op boards ensure compliance with the Housing for Older Persons Act in communities designed to house residents over the age of 55? That is the topic for a discussion led by David J. Byrne, chair of Ansell Grimm & Aaron's Community Association Practice Group at the New Jersey Chapter of the Community Associations Institute meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at the Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club in Galloway, NJ.

"Given the growth in the number of communities serving the burgeoning 'over 55' population, community developers, managers, and boards increasingly must walk a fine line to ensure they comply with the Housing for Older Persons Act (HOPA) section of the federal Fair Housing Act (FHA)," Byrne says. HOPA provides an exception to the FHA's general rule on discrimination, but requires compliance in three key areas:

1. 80 percent of units are occupied by residents 55 years of age or older;
2. Publication and follow-through on policies and procedures that establish the community's commitment to this demographic; and
3. Verify occupancy in line with federal regulations.

Byrne will lead an audience participation Q&A discussion covering community managers' real-world exposures, accommodations, and remedies.

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