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## The Attorney-Client Privilege: Three's a Crowd?

Featuring Attorney Mark Mikhaiel Schneider Smeltz Spieth Bell LLP

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Who is the client? Is it only the individual that a lawyer has a written or oral agreement to represent? Or could it extend to the client's spouse, neighbor, or friend? Many lawyers have been in situations where clients bring their trusted confidants and loved ones to meetings, but does the privilege attach to all in the room in those situations? What about meetings where the client sends their friend and/or trusted confidant to communicate directly with the retained lawyer? When does the attorney-client privilege attach to these communications and when is the privilege waived by the presence of a third-party? Attorney Mark Mikhaiel will review the best practices to ensure attachment of the attorney-client privilege in instances where a client identifies an "agent" to act on their behalf.

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