

Macomb Automotive Suppliers Forum

What can you do today to stay ahead of the curve?

- Michigan- and Macomb-led initiatives for automotive parts suppliers
- What you need to know about OEM expectations (including new contracting strategies)
- Maximizing your strategic business advantages

Thursday, February 27, 5:30-8:00 PM

at Villa Penna, 43985 Hayes Road, Sterling Heights

• **Michigan's New Comprehensive Strategic Road Map to Promote, Retain and Grow the Automotive Industry in Michigan.** Keynote presentation by **Nigel Francis**, Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC)

• **"Ahead of the Curve" Panel Discussion**
Featuring **Nigel Francis** (MEDC), **Mark Hackel** (Macomb County), **Tom Manganello** (Warner Norcross & Judd), **Glenn Stevens** (MICHauto) and **Mike Beck** (Fori Automation)

• **Q&A and Networking** with Macomb automotive supply executives and automotive-focused attorneys

Who should attend? Presidents, CEOs, CFOs, Purchasing Directors, Sales Directors and other senior executives. Automotive suppliers and other manufacturers welcome.

▶ **Register Now! Space is limited.** This is a complimentary event that includes cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

Registration and info online at <http://wnj.com/MacombAuto2014> or contact **Dawn Thompson** at dfthompson@wnj.com or 248.784.5086



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About the Keynote Speaker and Panelists

Nigel Francis

Senior Automotive Adviser to the State of Michigan and Senior VP, Automotive Industry Office, MEDC

Nigel Francis is charged with developing, implementing and executing a comprehensive strategic plan and road map to promote, retain and grow the automotive industry in Michigan. He has spent a majority of his career in advanced design and engineering product development and in recent years has been closely involved with clean tech through EV/HEV/PHEV vehicle development. Nigel has held executive level positions at OEM and Tier I companies in North America and Europe, including Tata Technologies; Trexa LLC; Bright Automotive and Mercedes-Benz Technology.

Mike Beck

Vice President of Global Operations, Fori Automation

Fori Automation has built a strong reputation by designing and integrating state of the art automated systems for the automotive, aerospace and defense industries. Fori is a global company headquartered in Shelby Township with seven locations on five continents. Mike and the Fori team have been focused on growth and diversification of the business into new markets, customers and geographic regions. Mike has also held various positions in Manufacturing Engineering and Operations at Detroit Diesel and Supplier Quality/Purchasing at Chrysler.

Mark Hackel

Macomb County Executive

As chief executive officer of Michigan's third largest county, Mark Hackel is aggressively focusing on economic and community development. He is a forceful advocate for Macomb County on key regional issues and has been an effective voice with Macomb's elected delegation in Washington D.C. and Lansing. He actively promotes the county's strong automotive and advanced manufacturing capacity.

Tom Manganello

Chair of the Automotive Industry Group, Warner Norcross & Judd LLP

Tom Manganello leads Warner's Automotive Industry Group. His practice includes supplier-focused automotive contracts, commercial supply chain and warranty issues, dispute resolution and litigation, as well as product liability litigation. He provides legal counsel to the Original Equipment Supplier Association (OESA) CEO Council and is co-founder of MICHauto. Tom's legal accomplishments include serving as lead counsel on supplier warranty/OEM supply chain and contracting disputes.

Glenn Stevens

Vice President, MICHauto and Strategic Development, Detroit Regional Chamber

MICHauto is a statewide all-inclusive organization based on collaboration and representing automotive interests including original equipment manufacturers, suppliers, academic institutions and companies serving the automotive industry. Glenn has also held executive and sales positions with the Original Equipment Suppliers Association and Blue Water Automotive Systems.



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The automotive attorneys at Warner Norcross represent ONLY suppliers. As trusted legal counsel, we provide proactive strategic direction that helps businesses stay ahead of the curve. The depth of our law practice means we can meet virtually all the legal needs of our clients, including:

- Contracting, including terms and conditions
- Capitalizing on your intellectual property
- Warranty and root-cause analysis
- Succession planning
- Managing expansion
- Optimizing HR
- Mergers & acquisitions
- Litigation strategies



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