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### Wage Garnishment Laws: What Employers Need to Know

**SPENCER, IOWA** – What is a wage garnishment? What are the restrictions on wage garnishment? The Lakes Area Employers' Council (ECI) will be meeting on Tuesday, March 14, 2006 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 pm at Brown Medical Industries in Spirit Lake to learn about Wage Garnishment Laws. All employers, human resource personnel and payroll staff are invited to attend.

Frank Cal Tenuta, Managing Attorney with Iowa Legal Aid in Sioux City will be presenting information about Iowa's Wage Garnishment laws. Mr. Tenuta has been with Iowa Legal Aid (previously known as Legal Services Corporation of Iowa) since 1985, first as a Staff Attorney, then as the Managing Attorney since 1994. He received his Juris Doctor degree from the University of Minnesota and his BA degree from the University of Wisconsin. Federal Wage Garnishment law information will also be available.

The topics to be discussed at the meeting include:

- General information about wage garnishments
- How to determine the amount of wages subject to garnishment
- To whom does the law apply?
- What are the restrictions and limitations on wage garnishments?

Pre-registration is requested by Friday March 10<sup>th</sup> to Carol Morgan, (712) 262-1971 Extension 126 or [carol.morgan@iwd.iowa.gov](mailto:carol.morgan@iwd.iowa.gov). Lunch will be available for \$7.00.

Brown Medical Industries is located at 1300 Lundberg Drive West. Spirit Lake's Brown Medical Industries has been named the 2005 ThinkGlobal/Commercial News USA Exporter of the Year. The company is a leading manufacturer of orthopedic products that include cast and bandage protectors, splints, foot and ankle braces, and wrist supports. At a time when U.S. exports continue to trail imports, Brown Medical reported a 38 percent export sales increase from 2003 to 2004 with significant growth in the Middle East, Pacific Rim, Europe and South America.

The Lakes Area Employers' Council is a local employer group supported by Iowa Workforce Development Region 3, and is part of the statewide Employers' Council of Iowa system. This employer's group addresses workforce issues, and provides both educational and networking opportunities for employers and human resource professionals. Contact Carol Morgan if you have questions about this training session or about the Lakes Area Employers' Council.

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