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THE SEDONA CONFERENCESM AND ITS WORKING GROUP SERIES

WHO WE ARE

The Sedona ConferenceSM is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) research and education institute dedicated to the advanced study of law and policy in the areas of antitrust, complex litigation, and intellectual property rights. It was founded in 1997 by Executive Director Richard G. Braman, a Minnesota “leading attorney” and “SuperLawyer,” who has practiced in the areas of antitrust law and complex litigation since 1978; he is joined in his planning efforts by a blue-ribbon Advisory Board. The Sedona ConferenceSM has received broad and strong accolades from participants since its inception (See “Raves” section of our website).

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to contribute substantively to the development of law and policy by **stimulating ongoing dialogues** among leaders of the bench and bar in each area under study. To that end, we host four conferences a year in unique, naturally beautiful, retreat-like settings. Fifteen of the nation’s finest jurists, attorneys, academicians and others prepare written materials for, and lead the discussions during, each two-day conference. What sets our conferences apart from all other legal study programs is the quality and intensity of the dialogues, generating cutting-edge analyses. To ensure the proper environment for this level of interaction, each conference is strictly limited to 45, experienced participants in addition to the faculty. The best of the written materials are published annually in *The Sedona Conference Journal*, which is distributed on a complimentary basis to courthouses and public law libraries around the country and by subscription to others. It is also available on Westlaw and H.W. Wilson, and listed in the *Index to Legal Periodicals*.

WORKING GROUP SERIES

The Sedona Conference Working Group Series (“WGSSM”) is the next phase in the evolution of The Sedona Conference from a forum for advanced dialogue to an open and balanced think-tank confronting some of the most challenging issues faced by our legal system today.

The WGSSM begins with the same high caliber of participants as our regular season conferences.. The total, active group, however, is limited to 30-35 instead of 60. Further, in lieu of finished papers being posted on the website in advance of the conference, thought pieces and other ideas are exchanged ahead of time, and the Working Group meeting itself becomes the opportunity to begin the incubation of a set of recommendations, guidelines or other position piece designed to be of immediate benefit to the bench and bar, and to move the law forward in a reasoned and just way. Working Group output is then put through a peer review process, including where possible critique at one of our regular season conferences, hopefully resulting in authoritative, meaningful and balanced final papers for publication and distribution.

The first Working Group was convened in October 2002, and was dedicated to the development of guidelines for electronic document retention and production. The impact of its first (draft) publication—*The Sedona Principles; Best Practices Recommendations and Principles Addressing Electronic Document Production*—was immediate and substantial. *The Principles* was cited in the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules Discovery Subcommittee Report on Electronic Discovery less than a month after the March 2003 publication of the “public comment” draft, and was cited in a seminal e-discovery decision of the SDNY less than a month after that. As noted in the June 2003 issue of Pike & Fischer’s *Digital Discovery and E-Evidence*, “*The Principles*...influence is already becoming evident.”

THE SEDONA CONFERENCESM PRESENTS

in cooperation with the Federal Judicial Center & the National Center for State Courts

A "Mini-Sedona" on Electronic Discovery for State & Federal Judges

July 8, 2004

2:00 - 5:00 pm

Riverwalk Hyatt, Chicago, IL

(During the National Workshop for U.S. Magistrate Judges)

AGENDA

2:00 - 2:10 Welcome & Overview

2:10 - 2:40 Intro to Ediscovery Case Management Issues

2:40 - 3:15 Mock Argument on Motion to Compel Certain Ediscovery

3:15 - 3:30 Break

3:30 - 4:30 Group Dialogue re: Ediscovery Issues & Approaches to Resolution

4:30 - 5:00 Keynote: Dealing with Ediscovery Issues Going Forward (*Hon. Lee H. Rosenthal*)

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