



Chapter News



Atlanta Chapter

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Meeting Information

The New Federal E-Discovery Amendments: Your Duty to Preserve and Produce Electronically Stored Information in Disputed Matters

Date: June 19, 2007

Location: Vintage Room, Renaissance Hotel, 590 West Peachtree Street, Atlanta
(conference room adjacent to buffet line on street level of hotel)

Time: 12 p.m. (please arrive 20+ minutes early for registration)

Cost: \$20 (includes lunch and 1 hour of CPE credit)

Speakers: Tom Rosseland of Bodker Ramsey Andrews Winograd and Wildstein
Kathleen Skapik from Aon

Topics:

- Changes in the Federal Rules that affect electronic files
- The ABC's of Electronic Discovery
- Where do you fit in?
- How ready are you to meet e-discovery requests?
- Self assessment guidelines and readiness checklists
- And much more.

GSCPA Atlanta Chapter meetings are open to professionals with interest in the topic being discussed. The meetings also happen to be great opportunities to meet other professionals. If you know of someone who would benefit by attending this month's meeting, please forward this invitation to them with a request to RSVP.

Please forward your reservations/cancellations via email ASAP to:

[Michael Levine](#), Atlanta Chapter President

Complimentary valet parking is available at the Renaissance main entrance for those attending the Atlanta Chapter meeting.

Speakers' Biographies

Thomas Rosseland

Thomas Rosseland represents clients engaged in all areas of business, including heavy equipment financing and leasing companies, retail and wholesale distribution businesses with credit facilities, and importers of high quality and high-value products for the consumer and business markets. These clients are based in and operate on the local, regional, national and international level. Over the past 21 years of legal practice, Mr. Rosseland has efficiently worked with and successfully handled a wide array of complex legal matters for individual and corporate clients, with a dedicated focus on achieving client goals timely and efficiently. Mr. Rosseland is committed to each client and views each matter as an opportunity to demonstrate a level of dedication and persistence that serves to strengthen the relationship with the client and to justify their confidence in the firm.

Kathleen Skapik

Kathleen Skapik has more than 28 years of experience in computerized litigation support. Kathleen has worked closely with many of the top 250 law firms and Fortune 500 companies to devise organization and management strategies for electronic and paper files for litigation preparedness and as evidentiary materials. She has extensive

experience working with legal teams to define cost-effective technology and workflow solutions for proactive and immediate needs in electronic discovery, web hosting and traditional litigation support, including imaging, OCR and coding. During her career, Kathleen has been involved in high-profile, large-scale mergers and acquisitions, antitrust, product liability, patent infringement, insurance, utilities and construction matters.

Kathleen combines her knowledge of the legal field and her ability to address the operational aspects of litigation support to help legal teams devise best practice solutions for cost savings in processing and reviewing often overwhelming collection volumes. Her consulting spans a broad range of issues, such as conducting needs analysis studies for law office automation; preparing implementation plans to bring technology in-house; developing internal procedures to effectively manage newly acquired technology; and overseeing all aspects of the implementation process, including hardware/software acquisition and user training. With knowledge of multiple search and retrieval systems, she also provides database design expertise. Kathleen is actively involved in Aon's litigation preparedness services group.

Kathleen has served as a guest speaker at legal bar associations, various legal technology events including LegalTech and LawNet, and before numerous other professional organizations, such as the Association of Records Managers and Administrators. She has conducted seminars and CLE presentations on many aspects of electronic discovery, including changes in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and the ABC's of managing electronically stored information. For law firms and corporate counsels, she has developed educational courses focusing on the technology of collecting, processing, online reviewing and producing electronic files. In addition to being an accomplished speaker, Kathleen has authored articles on various discovery topics. Her article, "Online Document Reviews: A New Dimension in Discovery," which appeared in October 2003 issue of The Internet Lawyer, provided an impetus for considering the further use of technology in the legal process. Kathleen was the major contributor to a 2007 white paper entitled "Best Practices Strategies for Electronic Discovery Management;" and she addresses the issue of litigation preparedness from a global perspective in a soon to be published article.

2007 - 2008 Meeting Schedule

June 24-27 - Annual Convention, Westin, Our Lucaya, Grand Bahamas Island. [Online registration available.](#)

July 17 - Debbie Rodkin & Phillip Harrison - Bedford Capital Consulting - Use of Cost Segregation Studies to Add Cash Flow to Your Organization

August 21 - Bob Dow - Options Backdating and Other Timely Significant Reporting Issues.

September 18 - Stuart Johnson - Panel Discussion - M&A and Capital Markets Update

October 16 - To be Announced