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**GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS**  
**YEAR IN REVIEW**  
**CONFERENCE**

**—covering 2007—**

**February 26–29, 2008**  
Omni Shoreham Hotel  
Washington, D.C.



# THE GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS YEAR IN REVIEW CONFERENCE

PROGRAM ♦ February 26–29, 2008 ♦ Omni Shoreham Hotel ♦ Washington, D.C.

## Tuesday, February 26 — Ambassador Ballroom

- 1:00 **INTRODUCTION: CHINA & INTERNATIONAL PROCUREMENT MARKET** ♦ Session 1 - I  
**Claire Reade** *Chief Counsel for China Trade Enforcement  
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative*
- 1:20 **PROGRESS IN OPENING CHINESE PROCUREMENT MARKETS** ♦ Session 2 - I  
**Jean Heilman Grier** *Senior Procurement Negotiator  
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative*  
**Alan W.H. Gourley** *Partner  
Crowell & Moring LLP*
- 2:20 *Break*
- 2:40 **POLICY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS FOR OPENING THE CHINESE PROCUREMENT MARKETS** ♦ Session 3 - I  
**Robert Anderson** *Counselor  
World Trade Organization*  
**Fuguo Cao** *Professor of Law  
Law School of the Central University of Finance and  
Economics, Beijing*  
**Christopher R. Yukins** *Professor of Law  
The George Washington University Law School*
- 3:40 *Break*
- 4:00 **THE LAST BARRIERS TO OPENING THE CHINESE PROCUREMENT MARKET: EXPORT CONTROLS, COMPLIANCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY CONCERNS** ♦ Session 4 - I  
**Andrew Irwin** *Special Counsel  
Steptoe & Johnson LLP*  
**Ronald Lee** *Partner  
Arnold & Porter LLP*
- 5:00 *End of First Day*

## Wednesday, February 27 — Regency Ballroom

- 8:30 **STATUTES & REGULATIONS** ♦ Session 1  
**Marshall J. Doke** *Partner  
Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP*
- 10:00 *Break*
- 10:30 **BIDDING & NEGOTIATION** ♦ Session 2  
**Thomas P. Humphrey** *Partner  
Crowell & Moring LLP*  
**James J. McCullough & Deneen J. Melander** *Partners  
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP*

- 12:00 *Luncheon Recess*
- 1:30 **CORPORATE COMPLIANCE & ETHICS** ♦ Session 3\*  
**Joseph D. West & Diana G. Richard** *Partners  
Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP*
- 3:00 *Break*
- 3:30 **PERFORMANCE PROBLEMS** ♦ Session 4  
**C. Stanley Dees & Frederic M. Levy** *Partners  
McKenna Long & Aldridge LLP*
- 5:00 *End of Second Day*

## Thursday, February 28 — Regency Ballroom

- 8:30 **TERMINATIONS** ♦ Session 5  
**Allan J. Joseph & Neil H. O'Donnell** *Partners  
Rogers Joseph O'Donnell*
- 10:00 *Break*
- 10:20 **BID PROTEST OVERVIEW** ♦ Session 6  
**Michael R. Golden** *Managing Associate General Counsel  
U.S. Government Accountability Office*  
**The Honorable George W. Miller** *Judge  
The Honorable Emily C. Hewitt* *Judge  
U.S. Court of Federal Claims*
- 12:00 *Luncheon Recess*
- 1:15 **DISPUTES** ♦ Session 7  
**Donald G. Featherstun & Kevin P. Connelly** *Partners  
Seyfarth Shaw LLP*
- 2:15 *Break*
- 2:30 **COST & PRICING ISSUES** ♦ Session 8  
**Terry L. Albertson** *Partner  
Crowell & Moring LLP*  
**Karen L. Manos** *Partner  
Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP*
- 3:45 *Break*
- 4:00 **EMERGING POLICY & PRACTICE ISSUES** ♦ Session 9  
**Steven L. Schooner & Danielle Conway-Jones** *Professors of Law  
The George Washington University Law School*
- 5:00 *End of Third Day*

## Friday, February 29

### 8:00-9:15 ♦ Regency Ballroom

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS** ♦ Session 10  
**W. Jay DeVecchio** *Partner, Jenner & Block* **Fernand A. Lavallee** *Partner, DLA Piper US LLP*

### Simultaneous Sessions

#### Regency Ballroom

- 9:30 **FRAUD, DEBARMENT & SUSPENSION** ♦ Session 11\*  
**Brian C. Elmer & W. Stanfield Johnson** *Partners  
Crowell & Moring LLP*
- 10:30 *Break*
- 10:45 **RISK MITIGATION** ♦ Session 12  
**Agnes P. Dover & Thomas L. McGovern** *Partners  
Hogan & Hartson*
- 11:45 *Break*
- 12:00 **COMMERCIAL ITEM CONTRACTING** ♦ Session 13  
**Carl L. Vacketta** *Partner  
DLA Piper US LLP*  
**Kevin P. Mullen** *Partner  
Cooley Godward Kronish LLP*
- 1:00 *End of Conference*

#### Ambassador Ballroom

- 9:30 **ACCOUNTING & COMPLIANCE** ♦ Session 14  
**Joseph A. Barsalona** *Partner  
PricewaterhouseCoopers*  
**Lawrence S. Rabyne** *Counsel  
Defense Contract Management Agency*
- 10:30 *Break*
- 10:45 **GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING FOR UNEXPECTED EVENTS** ♦ Session 15  
**Stuart B. Nibley** *Partner  
Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP*
- 11:45 *Break*
- 12:00 **LABOR & EMPLOYMENT** ♦ Session 16  
**Gilbert J. Ginsburg** *Attorney & Counselor at Law*  
**Daniel B. Abrahams** *Partner  
Epstein Becker & Green*
- 1:00 *End of Conference*

## ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

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We are pleased to invite you to attend our next *Government Contracts Year In Review Conference*. We hope that you will take advantage of the opportunity and join us in February.

## Registration & Admission

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**Deadlines**—Completed registration applications and mailing cards are due by February 8, 2008. Paid registrations may not be canceled after that date.

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Clarion Legal ([www.clarionlegal.com](http://www.clarionlegal.com)) has applied for a minimum of 15 CLE credits for the conference from numerous state Continuing Legal Education authorities. \* Clarion also has applied for ethics credits for Session 3, Corporate Compliance & Ethics, and Session 11, Fraud, Debarment & Suspension. State-specific information will be provided to participants at the conference.

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### ◆ DURING THE CONFERENCE

**Seating**—There are no reserved seats. During the last day of the conference, simultaneous sessions will be held in separate meeting rooms. Attendees may choose which of these sessions they wish to attend.

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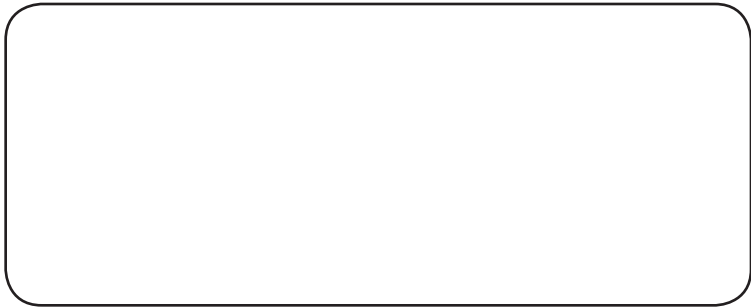
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- ◆ This mailing card will be returned along with the admission ticket(s) for the person(s) listed on the Registration Application.
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