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THE GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS YEAR IN REVIEW CONFERENCE

PROGRAM ♦ February 21–24, 2006 ♦ Omni Shoreham Hotel ♦ Washington, DC

Tuesday, February 21 — Ambassador Ballroom

- 1:00 **CROSS-BORDER PROCUREMENT**
♦ Session 1 - I
Jean Grier *Senior Procurement Negotiator*
Office of the United States Trade Representative
Alan W.H. Gourley *Partner*
Crowell & Moring
- 2:10 *Break*
- 2:25 **EXPORT CONTROLS AND COMPLIANCE**
♦ Session 2 - I
Michael R. Charness & Kathleen C. Little *Partners*
Vinson & Elkins
- 3:25 *Break*
- 3:40 **EMERGING INTERNATIONAL ISSUES**
♦ Session 3 - I
Robert Hunja *Manager*
World Bank Procurement Policy and Service Group
Sue Arrowsmith *Director*
Public Procurement Research Group, University of Nottingham
- 5:00 *Break*
- 5:15 **KEYNOTE SPEAKER** ♦ Session 4 - I
The Honorable William S. Cohen
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
The Cohen Group
- 5:45 *End of First Day*

Wednesday, February 22 — Regency Ballroom

- 8:30 **STATUTES & REGULATIONS** ♦ Session 1
Marshall J. Doke *Partner*
Gardere Wynne Sewell
- 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
- 12:00 *Luncheon Recess*

- 1:30 **BUSINESS ETHICS & COMPLIANCE** ♦ Session 3
Joseph D. West & Diana G. Richard *Partners*
Mary Ita Snyder *Of Counsel*
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 23 — Regency Ballroom

- 8:30 **TERMINATIONS** ♦ Session 5
Allan J. Joseph & Neil H. O'Donnell *Partners*
Rogers, Joseph, O'Donnell & Phillips
- 10:00 *Break*
- 10:15 **BID PROTEST OVERVIEW** ♦ Session 6
Daniel I. Gordon *Managing Associate General Counsel*
U.S. Government Accountability Office
The Honorable Mary Ellen Coster Williams *Judge*
The Honorable Charles F. Lettow *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
- 2:15 *Break*
- 2:30 **COST & PRICING ISSUES** ♦ Session 8
Terry L. Albertson *Partner*
Crowell & Moring LLP
Karen L. Manos *Partner*
Howrey LLP
- 3:45 *Break*
- 4:00 **EMERGING POLICY & PRACTICE ISSUES** ♦ Session 9
Steven L. Schooner & Christopher R. Yukins
Professors of Law
George Washington University Law School
- 5:00 *End of Third Day*

Friday, February 24

8:00-9:15 ♦ Regency Ballroom

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS ♦ Session 10
W. Jay DeVecchio *Partner, Miller & Chevalier* **Fernand A. Lavallee** *Partner, DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary*

Alternative 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 **OUTSOURCING & PRIVATIZATION**
♦ Session 12
Agnes P. Dover & Thomas L. McGovern *Partners*
Hogan & Hartson
- 11:45 *Break*
- 12:00 **COMMERCIAL ITEM CONTRACTING**
♦ Session 13
Carl L. Vacketta & Kevin P. Mullen *Partners*
DLA Piper Rudnick Gray Cary
- 1:00 *End of Conference*

Ambassador Ballroom

- 9:30 **EMERGENCY CONTRACTING AT HOME AND IN BATTLE** ♦ Session 14
Stuart B. Nibley *Partner*
Thelen Reid & Priest LLP
Michael W. Mutek *Vice President and General Counsel*
Raytheon Intelligence and Information Systems
- 10:30 *Break*
- 10:45 **ACCOUNTING & COMPLIANCE—PRACTICAL BUSINESS GUIDANCE** ♦ Session 15
Joseph A. Barsalona *Partner*
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Lawrence S. Rabyne *Counsel*
Defense Contract Management Agency
- 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*

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