Program Agenda

Monday, March 21, 2005

8:30 – 9:00 am  Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 9:15 am  Welcome and Introductions

Christopher T. Dong, Employer Co-Chair
Office of General Counsel, FBI
Washington, D.C.

Peter Eide, Public/Neutral Co-Chair
Former General Counsel
Federal Labor Relations Authority
Washington, D.C.

Charles Hobbie, Union & Employee Co-Chair
Deputy General Counsel
American Federation of Government Employees
Washington, D.C.

Elizabeth L. Newman, Employee Co-Chair
Kalijarvi, Chuzi & Newman, PC
Washington, D.C.

9:15 – 10:30 am  Select panel of experts from the Department of
Homeland Security, AFGE, and NTEU speaking on the
new DHS labor relations and personnel regulations
Speakers: Ronald J. James, Chief Human Capital Officer, DHS
J. Ward Morrow, Assistant General Counsel, AFGE, AFL-CIO
Larry Adkins, Deputy General Counsel, NTEU

10:30 – 10:45 am  Refreshment Break

10:45 – 12:00 noon  Part I: Class actions in the federal sector: EEO, FLSA,
etc.
Speaker: Joel Kravitz, Administrative Judge, Equal Employment
Opportunity Commission

12:00 – 1:45 pm  Luncheon – National Security Personnel System
Speaker: Kay Coles James, [former] Director, Office of Personnel
Management

1:45 – 2:45 pm  Update of Significant MSPB and FLRA Decisions in the
Federal Sector
Speakers: Rosa Koppel, Deputy General Counsel, Merit Systems
Protection Board
James Blandford, Attorney, Office of the Solicitor, Federal
Labor Relations Authority

2:45 – 3:00 pm  Refreshment Break

3:00 – 3:45 pm  Part II: Class actions in the federal sector: EEO, FLSA,
etc.
Speaker: David Sanford, Esq., Sanford, Wittels, & Heisler, PC
3:45 – 4:30 pm  **Significant developments in federal sector labor arbitration in the past year**  
Speaker: James Eisenmann, Esq., Passman & Kaplan, PC

4:30 – 5:30 pm  **Reception Honoring FLRA Member Carol Pope**  
*(Bank of America Building)*

**Tuesday, March 22, 2005**

8:30 – 9:15 am  **Continental Breakfast**

9:15 – 10:30 am  **Update on changes to the federal EEO program**  
Speakers: Jorge Ponce, EEO Officer, Department of Commerce & Co-Head, Federal EEO Executives’ Association  
Deliah Johnson, EEO Officer, International Board of Broadcasters & Co-Head, Federal EEO Executives’ Association

10:30 – 10:45 am  **Refreshment Break**

10:45 – 12:00 pm  **Attorney’s fees in the federal sector**  
Speaker: Ericka Lewis, Counsel, AFGE Local 1923, AFL-CIO

12:00 – 1:00 pm  **Committee Business Meeting**