



Chief Staff Executives Retreat Preliminary Agenda

March 10-11, 2009

Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile

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Tuesday, March 10

5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Registration

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Welcome Reception and Dinner

After checking into your room, it's a short walk to join colleagues for happy hour, dinner, and catching up.

Wednesday, March 11

8:15 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Registration

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Case Studies

New for 2009: Impact of the Economy. In addition to discussing real-life situations faced by CSEs in the areas of human resources, governance, and administration, participants share and compare their experiences in navigating the budgeting process, maintaining services, and preserving workforces in hard times, identifying issues for discussion in the afternoon session.

Team 1: Human Resources, Governance, Administration

Team 2: Impact of the Economy

12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

Updating Best Practices: Chris Manos, Co-Chair of the Professionalism Committee leads an informal discussion on best practices material: what we have, what we need, and how to get it. Also, program sponsors talk about the changing marketplace and how they plan to meet new demands.

1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Transfer break

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Plenary Session: Impact of the Economy of the Practice of Law

Professor William D. Henderson, Associate Professor of Law at the Maurer School of Law, Indiana University Bloomington is a national authority on the economics of law practice. Professor Henderson will provide a window on the world of our members: the impact of debt and job scarcity on newer lawyers; emergence of the "eat what you kill" practice model; and transformation of the big law firms.

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Break

2:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Discussion and Triage

Bridging the Gap between Increasing Member Needs and Disappearing Bar Resources: Where are the Opportunities? Using Open Space Technology, Jeannine McCoy will facilitate a discussion of the day's primary themes, where participants gather into subgroups of greatest interest.

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Wrap up and Adjournment