

TIARIAS
2010 **U.S.**
SPRING
CONFERENCE

Arbitration Is A-Changin':

Learn About New Reforms
or Be Left Behind



May 5-7, 2010

Hotel del Coronado
1500 Orange Avenue
Coronado, CA 92118



TO: ARIAS•U.S. Members and Non-Members

FROM: Program Co-Chairs
Daniel L. FitzMaurice
Linda Dakin-Grimm
Eric S. Kobrick
Elizabeth A. Mullins

RE: ARIAS•U.S. 2010 Spring Conference

Dear Colleagues:

It gives us great pleasure to announce that this year's Spring Conference will be held on May 5-7, 2010 at the Hotel del Coronado in Coronado, California. Entitled "***Arbitration Is A-Changin': Learn About New Reforms or Be Left Behind!***," the conference will emphasize change and industry-driven reforms to improve reinsurance arbitration.

The conference will include enhanced levels of participation for all attendees as well as a variety of focused workshops and networking opportunities. In addition, there will be a photo/biography booklet identifying all attending arbitrators.

We invite you to participate in reform of the principal dispute resolution process in our industry. At the conference, you will hear from a group of prominent industry CEOs, who will address how their organizations anticipate, embrace and manage change. In this spirit, and with the focus on changes to the arbitration process, participants will learn when and why courts overturn arbitration decisions. They will hear company representatives from both reinsurers and cedants describe their issues with the existing system and their ideas on how the system can be changed. Break-out sessions will at times be segregated by constituency (arbitrator/lawyer/company) to facilitate frank discussion of the competing forces and interests that may foster or hamper meaningful reform. Participants will learn about specific new procedures developed by the Insurance and Reinsurance Dispute Resolution Task Force that could meaningfully change the dispute process in this industry.

Attendees will be able to tailor the conference to their interests by selecting from brainstorming workshops designed to facilitate meaningful participation in reform:

- **Insanity in Action: Hiring the Same Small Pool of Arbitrators and Expecting Different Results**
- **Reforms Without Subscribers: Good Ideas Not Implemented**
- **Market-Based Reforms: New and Emerging Arbitration Clauses**
- **Despite Its Flaws, Does Arbitration Beat the Alternative or Not?**
- **Mediation's Role in Reform**
- **Structural Solutions: Single Arbitrators, Baseball Arbitration, and Other Options**

Again this year, Jim Stinson will serve as Golf Chair. He is organizing the Twelfth Annual ARIAS•U.S. Open Tournament to be held on Thursday afternoon, May 6, at Steele Canon Golf Club. The Seventh Annual ARIAS•U.S. Tennis Tournament will be chaired again by Eric Kobrick. This event will also take place on Thursday afternoon. Golf and tennis details will be sent by email and announced on the website calendar.

A program description and registration information follow. We hope you will join us for what promises to be a great conference. We look forward to seeing you in California.

This conference will be conducted in accordance with the ARIAS•U.S. Antitrust Policy, which is available in the About ARIAS section of the website at www.arias-us.org.

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Arbitration Is A-Changin': Learn About New Reforms or Be Left Behind



Wednesday May 5, 2010

11:30 – 1:00 p.m. **Registration** – Group Registration Desk
Lunch – Windsor Lawn

Women's Networking Luncheon – Windsor Lawn

Life/Health Group Networking Luncheon – Windsor Lawn

1:00 – 1:05 p.m. **General Session – Welcome**
Ballroom

▶ **Susan A. Stone**
SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP
ARIAS•U.S. CHAIRMAN

1:05 – 2:15 p.m. **CEO Panel: The Challenges of Change**

Moderator:

▶ **Elaine Caprio Brady**
LIBERTY MUTUAL GROUP

Panelists:

▶ **Andrew Appel**
CEO, AON BENFIELD

▶ **Rodman Fox**
CEO, TIGERRISK PARTNERS

▶ **Patrick Thiele**
CEO, PARTNERRE LTD.

In the global insurance market, CEOs lead organizations in an environment in which change is not only constant, but ubiquitous. Although all companies must adapt to continuous change, some embrace it. Learn how these successful CEOs lead their organizations to anticipate, embrace, and manage change.

2:15 – 3:25 p.m. **Reforming Arbitration: A Review of the New Procedures from the
Insurance and Reinsurance Dispute Resolution Task Force**

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Moderator:

▶ **Eric S. Kobrick**

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Panelists:

▶ **Mark S. Gurevitz**

THE HARTFORD

▶ **Reka Koerner**

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▶ **Myra E. Lobel**

GUY CARPENTER

▶ **Andrew P. Maneval**

CHESHAM CONSULTING LLC

A wide-ranging discussion by a diverse group of industry experts on the latest dispute resolution procedures.

3:25 – 3:30 p.m. **General Announcements**

William H. Yankus

ARIAS•U.S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

3:30 – 4:00 p.m. **Refreshment Break** – Garden Patio

4:00 – 5:30 p.m. **Brainstorming Arbitration Reform: Breakout Groups**

The critical aspects of the Task Force's Procedures will be dissected, including the neutral panel version, the alternative streamlined procedures and the thorny issue of consolidation. Breakout room assignments will be listed in check-in folder.

6:15 – 7:45 p.m. **Cocktail Reception** – Sundeck

7:45 p.m. **Optional ARIAS•U.S. Candlelight Dinner** – Sundeck (Advance ticket purchase is required.)

Thursday, May 6, 2010

7:00 – 8:15 a.m. **Breakfast** – Crown Room

8:15 – 9:00 a.m. **General Session: Reports on Brainstorming Arbitration Reform** – Ballroom

Presenters:

▶ **Eridania Perez**

DEWEY & LEBOEUF LLP

▶ **Lawrence Greengrass**

MOUND COTTON WOLLAN & GREENGRASS LLP

9:00 – 10:15 a.m. **The Need for Reform: Companies and Courts Speak Out**

Overview on the Courts:

▶ **Daniel M. Perry**

MILBANK, TWEED, HADLEY & MCCLOY LLP

Moderator:

▶ **Elizabeth A. Mullins**

SWISS RE AMERICA HOLDING CORPORATION

Company Panelists:

- ▶ **Mark B. Cloutier**
ALEA GROUP HOLDINGS (BERMUDA) LTD.
- ▶ **Deborah Giss Stalker**
ACE-INA HOLDINGS

After an overview of recent court decisions that criticized arbitrators and overturned arbitration decisions, company panelists, in a round table discussion, will point out the problems they see in arbitration today.

10:15 – 10:45 a.m. **Refreshment Break** – Garden Patio

10:45-12:00 noon **Companies, Arbitrators, and Counsel Talk Candidly in Breakout Groups about the Need for Reform**
Breakout room assignments will be listed in check-in folder.

12:00 - 1:30 p.m. **Luncheon** – Windsor Lawn
Box lunches will be provided at golf and tennis locations.

Departures for Golf, Tennis, and Touring

Those who are not signed up for golf or tennis will take advantage of all that the Coronado and San Diego areas offer. Touring, swimming, and shopping are just a few of the activities close-at-hand. See following pages for information.

7:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Cocktail Reception** – Windsor Lawn

Friday, May 7, 2010

7:30 – 8:45 a.m. **Breakfast** – Crown Room

8:45 – 9:30 a.m. **General Session: Reports on Candid Discussions about the Need for Reform**
Ballroom

Presenters:

- ▶ **Joanne Moore Howell**
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP, INC. / CHARTIS
- ▶ **Deirdre G. Johnson**
CROWELL & MORING LLP
- ▶ **Constance O'Mara**
ARIAS•U.S. CERTIFIED ARBITRATOR

9:30 – 10:20 a.m. **Workshops: Round One**

All six workshops will be repeated. At registration, you will be asked to select two workshops to attend from the list below. Your check-in folder will include room assignments.

Workshop A **Insanity in Action: Hiring the Same Small Pool of Arbitrators and Expecting Different Results**

Presenters:

- ▶ **Mark T. Megaw**
ACE GROUP HOLDINGS
- ▶ **Stephen C. Klein**
BARGER & WOLEN LLP

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- ▶ **Charles D. Ehrlich**
RIVERSTONE RESOURCES LLC

Why is it so hard to break into the business of becoming an arbitrator? What incentives do companies and lawyers have to try someone different? Will arbitral reform require a new set of players?

Workshop B Reforms without Subscribers: Good Ideas Not Implemented

Presenters:

- ▶ **Mary A. Lopatto**
CHADBOURNE & PARKE LLP
- ▶ **Vincent J. Vitkowsky**
EDWARDS ANGELL PALMER & DODGE LLP
- ▶ **Barry Leigh Weissman**
SONNENSHEIN, NATH & ROSENTHAL LLP

Great ideas of the past, including neutral panels, neutral selection, and other solutions in search of implementation and why they remain generally unused.

Workshop C Market-Based Reforms: New and Emerging Arbitration Clauses

Presenters:

- ▶ **William G. Goldsmith**
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP, INC.
- ▶ **Joseph K. Scully**
DAY PITNEY LLP
- ▶ **Andie C. N. Welsch**
GREENLIGHT RE

How are parties to today's transactions trying to fix the problems in current arbitrations? What new language and provisions are appearing in arbitration clauses?

Workshop D Despite Its Flaws, Does Arbitration Beat the Alternative or Not?

Presenters:

- ▶ **Richard B. Goetz**
O'MELVENY & MYERS LLP
- ▶ **Robert J. Bates, Jr.**
BATES & CAREY LLP
- ▶ **Ronie M. Schmelz**
SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP

A point-counterpoint discussion of the relative advantages and disadvantages of arbitration and litigation.

Workshop E Mediation's Role in Reform

Presenters:

- ▶ **Kim V. Marrkand**
MINTZ, LEVIN, COHN, FERRIS, GLOVSKY AND POPEO P.C.
- ▶ **Christopher L. Byers**
LATHAM & WATKINS LLP
- ▶ **John S. Diaconis**
BLEAKLEY PLATT & SCHMIDT, LLP

*Can rational adults solve their disputes without an adversarial process?
Can mediation help to develop better forms of arbitration?*

Workshop F Structural Solutions: Single Arbitrators, Baseball Arbitration, and Other Options

Presenters:

- ▶ **Michael S. Olsan**
WHITE AND WILLIAMS LLP
- ▶ **Robert E. Sweeney**
LOCKE LORD BISSELL & LIDDELL
- ▶ **Debra J. Roberts**
DEBRA ROBERTS & ASSOCIATES, LLC

Are there more useful methods than tripartite arbitration? What else works and under what circumstances?

Workshop G Is It Necessary to Reform the Ethics Rules?

Panelists:

- ▶ **Thomas L. Forsyth**
PARTNERRE U.S.
- ▶ **Richard H. Porter**
STEPTOE & JOHNSON LLP
- ▶ **Martin D. Haber**
ARIAS-U.S. CERTIFIED ARBITRATOR AND UMPIRE

Should an umpire refuse to accept an offer from one of the parties or counsel to serve as a party-appointed arbitrator in another proceeding? Should there be a limit on the number of appointments an arbitrator accepts from the same source? Is there a line that party-arbitrators should not cross in becoming too partisan? Hear about these topics and others, including what the Long Range Planning Committee has been considering regarding ethics.?

10:20 – 10:50 a.m. **Refreshment Break** – Garden Patio

10:50 – 11:40 a.m. **Workshops: Round Two**

All six workshops will be repeated. At registration, you will be asked to select two workshops to attend from the list above. Your check-in folder will include room assignments and locations.

11:40-12:00 noon **Co-Chair Conclusion**

- ▶ **Daniel L. FitzMaurice**
DAY PITNEY, LLP
- ▶ **Linda Dakin-Grimm**
MILBANK, TWEED, HADLEY & MCCLOY LLP
- ▶ **Eric S. Kobrick**
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL GROUP INC. / CHARTIS
- ▶ **Elizabeth A. Mullins**
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Noon – 12:10 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

- ▶ **Susan A. Stone**
ARIAS-U.S. CHAIRMAN
SIDLEY AUSTIN LLP

NYS CLE Credit: *Nine and one-half hours of Continuing Legal Education credits are available to those who attend this conference, all of which are for Skills, except that one hour of Ethics credit will be given to those who attend the ethics workshop. This program is structured for both newly-admitted attorneys and experienced attorneys. Sign-in and sign-out sheets will verify attendance and will be the basis upon which certificates of attendance will be sent, but certification of completed credit hours to CLE Boards is the responsibility of each attorney.*

May 4-5

Intensive Arbitrator Training Workshop

This year's spring Intensive Arbitrator Training Workshop will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 4-5, 2010.

Workshop sessions will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday and conclude at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, just before the start of the 2010 Spring Conference. This program is specifically designed for newer arbitrators. It provides hands-on training, interaction, and practical experience in the arbitration process. It applies toward ARIAS-U.S. certification requirements. This event is for ARIAS members only.

On Tuesday, May 4, a reception and dinner will take place for workshop attendees starting at 6:00 p.m. These evening events are integral parts of the workshop, since they allow for an open exchange of ideas about the scenario that will be the subject of the next day's mock arbitrations.

Tuesday, May 4

2:00 – 3:15 p.m. Opening Remarks / General Session
3:15 – 3:30 p.m. Refreshment Break
3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Continuation of General Session
6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Reception
7:00 – 9:00 p.m. Dinner

Wednesday, May 5

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
8:30 – 9:45 a.m. Mock Arbitration Panels
9:45 – 10:00 a.m. . . . Refreshment Break
10:00 a.m. –
12:30 p.m. Continuation of Arbitration Panels

Costs...

Food, meeting facilities, and training costs for the program will be provided for a single fee of \$623, including 3% for credit card processing. Transportation costs (air, car, and/or taxi), hotel room, and incidentals should to be handled individually.

Registration...

Registration will begin on the website at 11:00 a.m. EST on March 10, 2010. All members may register at this time. This is an excellent opportunity for members to sharpen their skills with another round of instruction and mock arbitration.

May 7

Educational Seminar

One of the routes to certification under the new requirements consists of fulfilling the Knowledge Component by attending two educational seminars other than the regular intensive workshops or conferences. In addition, a requirement for maintaining arbitrator certification in the future is attendance every two years at such a seminar. Please review the section of the website called **Arbitrator and Umpire Certification Procedures** to ensure that you understand how these seminars apply.

The Program...

The fourth installment of the ARIAS-U.S. arbitrator continuing education series will present a half-day of training on the subject, "**Case Development and Preparing for the Arbitration Hearing.**" This session will focus on consolidation, interim motions and awards, managing the scope and duration of the arbitration and preparing for the arbitration hearing. Experienced counsel and arbitrators will provide an overview of the law and practical advice on how to approach issues arising after the organizational meeting, but before the final arbitration hearing.

This event has been combined with the 2010 Spring Conference to facilitate attendance by ARIAS members who will be attending that event. With one trip, an arbitrator can complete two requirements. The program will begin right after adjournment of the conference with a light lunch at 12:30 p.m., followed at 1:15 by a full afternoon of training. There will be a short mid-afternoon break. The sessions will conclude by 5:30 p.m.

Cost and Registration...

Registration will begin on the website at 11:00 a.m. EDT on Thursday, March 18, 2010 and ending if and when the capacity of the room (100) has been reached and a waiting list of ten has been developed.

The fee of \$361 includes lunch, the refreshment break, and the facility and equipment for the afternoon of training. The 3% credit card processing fee is also included in that cost. This event is for ARIAS members only.

Hotel del Coronado & San Diego

Hotel del Coronado

As described on its website...

With its iconic red turrets piercing the taut horizontal lines of an azure California skyline, the Hotel del Coronado radiates with a confidence of gracious Victorian splendor that is without equal.

Built in 1888, this classic beachfront respite has long been heralded as one of America's most beautiful beach resorts... a pronouncement underscored by its designation as a National Historic Landmark in 1977.

"The Del" has a rich and colorful heritage that sets it apart from neighboring hotels. From Marilyn Monroe to Charles Lindbergh, from state dinners to the ghost of Kate Morgan, The Del is an American treasure with more than 120 years of fascinating stories to tell.

Today, The Del offers guests a unique combination of modern luxury touched with the charm and grace of this fairytale castle.

Include its stunning beachfront locale and it's easy to see why The Del has been called "one of the top ten resorts in the world" by USA Today.

The Del has many amenities to make your stay comfortable and memorable, including the recently renovated, world-class Spa at The Del. An extensive description of all hotel facilities, features and services is on its website, www.hoteldel.com. The main number of the hotel is **800-468-3533**.



San Diego

Situated on 28 beautiful oceanfront acres on Coronado Island, the Hotel del Coronado is San Diego's only true beachfront hotel. From its scenic locale just across the bay from downtown, The Del provides easy access to a wide variety of entertaining and engaging San Diego activities.



Known as "America's Finest City," San Diego combines the art and culture of a major metropolis with a relaxed, small-town feel. You can experience its world-class restaurants, fantastic shopping, award-winning local theatre, and major attractions that include SeaWorld, the World-Famous San Diego Zoo, The USS Midway Museum, Wild Animal Park and Legoland. All are within minutes of The Del. You may wish to extend your stay at The Del (at the group rate) to take advantage of these activities.



The San Diego Convention and Visitors Bureau has an excellent website to help you learn about the wide range of activities and attractions in the area. It is located at www.sandiego.org. The hotel Concierge desk can also help with recommendations and reservations.

However, if you would like to use your short recreational time Thursday afternoon to visit a range of San Diego's top attractions, you should consider the tour that ARIAS•U.S. has arranged. See the announcement on the next page.

Restaurants



The Del offers restaurants from fine dining to casual. To quote the hotel's website, again...

With award-winning food and wine, spectacular ocean views, and magical ambiance, the Hotel del Coronado offers numerous and unparalleled dining experiences. Savor the resort's fine-dining addition to the Coronado restaurant scene, the exciting **1500 OCEAN**. Featuring...the freshest in Southland Coastal Cuisine, this captivating Coronado Island restaurant is sure to satisfy even the most discriminating palate. For a contrasting flavor, enjoy casual California cuisine, a new steak and seafood dinner menu...at **Sheerwater**. Both offer spectacular indoor and outdoor seating overlooking the Pacific. Then spend some time delving into the three most delectable indulgences in the culinary world – fine wine, rare cheeses and gourmet chocolate – at **ENO**. Or just go for lighter fare at the **Babcock & Story Bar**.

The Concierge Desk at The Del will assist you in choosing a restaurant when you arrive, or call ahead to the desk for recommendations and to make advance reservations. The hotel's main number is 800-468-3533. The town of Coronado offers several nearby restaurants. Following is a selected list, several within walking distance (**W**), with their descriptive slogans.

Brigantine Seafood Restaurant (W) – Come to the Coronado Brigantine - an island tradition. Great food and warm service. Patio seating. Group dining. 619-435-4166

Candelas on the Bay – Fine dining Mexican/French fusion reminiscent of the cuisine served in Mexico City; Steak/Seafood...619-435-4900

Coronado Boathouse (W) – Built in 1887, a year before and by the same architects as the neighboring Hotel Del Coronado...offering a wide selection of prime steak and seafood. 619-435-0155

Il Fornaio – Authentic Italian cuisine featuring regional recipes. Reservations. 619-437-4911

Peohe's - "Best of Coronado, Best View, Best Restaurant". Sushi bar. Banquets. Reservations recommended. Specializing in seafood. 619-437-4474

Primavera Ristorante (W) – Authentic Italian dining in a pleasantly intimate atmosphere. 619-435-0454

Vigilucci's (W) – Italian steak & seafood, outdoor patio, live entertainment. 619-522-0946

On Wednesday evening, you can enjoy a candlelight dinner overlooking the ocean with ARIAS•U.S.

For the first time, ARIAS•U.S. is offering an optional, informal dinner to attendees for an additional charge. On Wednesday, after the reception ends at 7:45, a dinner will be available to attendees and guests for \$75 per person (\$77 if paying by credit card). The buffet dinner will be served on the Sundeck, adjacent to the reception area.

The deadline for ticket purchases is April 10. The conference registration form on page 11 allows you to include the cost of this dinner. *Online* dinner ticket purchase is separate on the home page.

Tickets will be held for pick up at the ARIAS•U.S. Registration Desk. There is a limit of 200 people for this event.

No cancellations are possible after April 28, since final numbers are due to the hotel the next day.

San Diego by Land and Sea Tour

Thursday, May 6, 2010, 1:15-6:15 p.m.

With so much to see in San Diego, it is hard to select just one or two attractions for the time available. So ARIAS•U.S. has arranged to have a special tour for conference attendees and their guests, **starting and ending at The Del**. In five hours, you will visit the Gaslamp Quarter, Balboa Park, and "Old Town." Also, since there are places you can't easily see from land, you will take a one-hour fully-narrated tour of the Big Bay on a cruise boat to see locations, such as, North Island Naval Air Station, The Embarcadero, and Cabrillo National Park. The cost is only \$45 per person. Details and registration are available through the ARIAS•U.S. website's 2010 Spring Conference Calendar page and the home page (www.arias-us.org). To sign up, you will print out the registration form for faxing to The Event Team, which will conduct the tour. The reception begins at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, so you will return with plenty of time to refresh. **Registration deadline is April 16.**





Registration Information

HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS:

On the ARIAS website Calendar and Home page (www.arias-us.org), you will find a link to the "Welcome ARIAS•U.S." section of the Hotel del Coronado online room reservation system. Guest rooms are available at the following special ARIAS•U.S. group prices.

ARIAS•U.S. Group Rates:	\$270	Victorian Queen	\$307	Resort Queen Queen
	\$307	Resort King	\$349	Run of Ocean View

A resort charge of \$22 per day is additional, providing Internet access, newspaper, in-room coffee and tea, fitness center access and classes, local, 800 and credit card phone calls, etc.

If you prefer to make reservations by telephone, the number is **1-800-468-3533**. Be sure to mention that you are attending the ARIAS Conference to receive the group rate.

The conference runs from noon on Wednesday until noon on Friday. Plan to stay, at least, Wednesday and Thursday nights. A limited number of rooms are being offered at the ARIAS rates for nights before and after the conference. If you plan to attend the intensive workshop (before) and/or seminar (after), be sure to reflect that in making your reservation.

NOTE: To receive the conference group rates, hotel reservations must be made no later than April 10, 2010. All accommodations are available on **a first-come, first-served basis**. Local taxes are not included. Information about the Hotel del Coronado is at www.hoteldel.com. To hold your reservation, a one-night deposit is required. Check-in time is 4:00 p.m., so if you are arriving on the 5th for the noon start, you will have to store bags upon arrival, unless your room is ready early.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES:

Early Registration Deadline: April 10, 2010

Members: . . . \$900 Non-members: . \$1,100 Spouse/Guest . . . \$250

• *Non-members may apply for membership and receive member rates. Application is available online through the Membership section of the website.*

Late Registration: After April 10, 2010

Members: . . . \$950 Non-members . . \$1,150 Spouse/Guest . . . \$250

Registration fee includes: Meeting costs, program materials, two breakfasts, two luncheons, three refreshment breaks, two cocktail receptions.

Registration fee does not include: Travel, lodging, recreational activity expenses and optional dinner.

Spouse/guest fee includes: Receptions and food events, not the conference sessions.

Registration fees charged to credit cards will have 3% added to cover the processing cost. Those paying by check or by wire transfer do not add that cost. For wire transfers, add just the \$10 fee and send to Hudson Valley Bank, Routing # 021909300, Account # 1200592.

Golf and tennis: Costs and details of the golf and tennis tournaments will be emailed, separately.

Conference preparation materials will be sent in advance by UPS to everyone who has registered by April 23. They are not guaranteed after that date. **International attendees will receive materials by email.**

REGISTER ONLINE WITH A CREDIT CARD AT THE ARIAS•U.S. WEBSITE, www.arias-us.org.

Final Conference Registration Deadline: April 23, 2010. The website will continue to accept registration requests after this date. However, \$100 additional will be charged, and conference materials may have to be picked up at check-in.

Direct any inquiries to: Bill Yankus, ARIAS•U.S. Executive Director, director@arias-us.org, phone: 914-966-3180 ext. 116, fax: 914-966-3264. ARIAS•U.S., PO Box 9001, Mt. Vernon, NY 10552.

Cancellation Policy: *The cutoff date for a full refund of the Conference Registration fee is April 23, 2010. Anyone who cancels between that date and April 28 will receive a refund, less a \$100 administrative fee. Notification must be received in writing by email, fax, or postal mail. Refund will be issued by check. Failure to cancel by April 28 will result in forfeiture of the entire registration fee, since final catering numbers are due to the hotel on April 29.*



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FIRM NAME FOR BADGE AND LIST

UPS ADDRESS (NO PO BOX...FOR ADVANCE MATERIALS)

CITY/STATE/ZIP

PHONE

E-MAIL (REQUIRED):

SPOUSE/GUEST NAME FOR BADGE (IF ATTENDING)

You must select two workshops out of the seven listed on pages 3-5.

Workshop A__ Workshop B__ Workshop C__ Workshop D__ Workshop E__ Workshop F__ Workshop G__

Early Registration by April 10, 2010

Members/New Members* \$900 \$ _____
 Non-Member \$1,100 \$ _____
 Spouse/Guest \$250 \$ _____

Late Registration after April 10, 2010

Members/New Members* . . \$950 \$ _____
 Non-Members \$1,150 \$ _____
 Spouse/Guest \$250 \$ _____

* New members can pay member rate by submitting a membership application at time of registration.

Fees charged to credit cards will have 3% added to cover the processing cost. Those paying by check or by wire transfer do not add that cost. For wire transfers, add just the \$10 fee and send to Hudson Valley Bank, Routing # 021909300, Account # 1200592. Please, also, fax or mail registration form, indicating wire transfer payment has been made.

If attending optional Wednesday dinner described on page 9, please add \$75 per person and indicate number attending here _____ (until April 10 ticket purchase deadline). Tickets may be picked up at check-in. Online ticket purchase is separate on home page.

Total Amount Due: \$ _____ (After final deadline of April 23, a \$100 additional fee applies.)

ONLINE REGISTRATION WITH A CREDIT CARD IS AVAILABLE AT www.arias-us.org.

Payment by Check: Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$ _____. Please make checks payable to ARIAS•U.S. (Fed. I.D. No. 13-3804860) and mail with registration form to: ARIAS•U.S., P.O. Box 9001, Mount Vernon, NY 10552

Payment by Credit Card (fax to 914-966-3264 or mail):

Please charge my credit card: Amex Visa MasterCard \$ _____

CARD NUMBER: _____

CARDHOLDER'S ADDRESS _____

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PHONE: _____

CARDHOLDER'S NAME (PLEASE PRINT) _____

SIGNATURE _____

Financial Hardship Policy Statement: As required by the NYS Continuing Legal Education Board, if a member of the bar of New York would like to attend an ARIAS•U.S. seminar, but finds that he or she would incur a financial hardship by doing so, an application for waiver of the attendance fee may be made to the Board of Directors of ARIAS•U.S. through the Executive Director. Such application would be held in strict confidence.

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“Spring Training”

May 4-7, 2010



During the first week of May 2010, ARIAS•U.S. will present a three-part spring-training event in California. Anyone who needs an intensive workshop or educational seminar for certification or renewal has the chance to put in a little extra time at the 2010 Spring Conference and take care of two, or even three, requirements with only one trip.



Intensive Arbitrator Training Workshop

The intensive workshop will take place starting at 2:00 p.m. PDT on Tuesday, May 4 and concluding at 12:30 on Wednesday, May 5, just in time for the opening of the Spring Conference. There will be the usual reception and dinner on Tuesday evening.

The ARIAS•U.S. 2010 Spring Conference

The Spring Conference will follow the usual pattern, running from Noon on Wednesday, May 5 until Noon on Friday. There will be a break on Thursday afternoon for golf, tennis, recreation, shopping, and touring.





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Educational Series Seminar

The half-day educational seminar will begin on Friday, May 7 just after the adjournment of the Spring Conference with lunch at 12:30 p.m. The seminar sessions will begin at 1:15 and conclude by 5:30.

Sessions for all three events will be held at the historic Hotel del Coronado in Coronado, California, just over the bridge from San Diego International Airport. A National Historic Landmark, the Hotel del Coronado opened in 1888 and has, over time, become the most famous hotel in the West, serving as a vacation spot for celebrities from around the World and as the location for many movies, including the award-winning Some Like It Hot with Marilyn Monroe in 1958. It provides excellent meeting facilities and, after a complete renovation, offers outstanding restaurants and accommodations.

Complete details about the conference are in this brochure. Detailed information about the Intensive Workshop and Educational Seminar will be sent to members by email and be available on the website in late February.

Spring Conference Registration is Open Now at www.arias-us.org!



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