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Keynote Luncheon Speakers: John W. White, Director of Division of Corporation Finance, SEC, and Roger W. Raber, President and CEO, NACD

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THURSDAY MORNING, FEB. 22, 2007

Presiding Officer:

Adrienne Randle Bond, Houston, TX

8:00 a.m.

Registration Opens

Includes continental breakfast.

8:50 a.m.

Welcoming Remarks

9:00 a.m.

1.00 hr

Public Market Update

PIPES offerings, reverse mergers, executive compensation and other hot-button topics.

Martin P. Dunn, Washington, DC Robert L. Kimball, Dallas, TX John W. White, Washington, DC

10:00 a.m.

.75 hr

Private Placements, Finders' Fees, and State Securities Updates

In response to concerns voiced at the SEC Forum on Small Business Capital Formation, there are new regulatory efforts on the state level to deal with unregistered intermediaries involved in private placements. In addition, the SEC's advisory committee on Small Public Companies has made a number of recommendations—some including loosening restrictions on private placements by publicly traded companies. Hear about these and other issues before the federal and state regulatory agencies in this presentation.

Denise Voigt Crawford, Austin, TX Martin P. Dunn, Washington, DC Carol Bavousett Mattick, Austin and San Antonio, TX

10:45 a.m.

Break

11:00 a.m.

.75 hr

Understanding and Working with the New Executive Compensation Rules

For the 2007 public company reporting season, an overview of the new SEC rules for proxy statement disclosures on executive compensation, highlighting some of the issues and problems that are developing in the application of the rules to real life.

Daryl B. Robertson, Dallas, TX

11:45 a.m.

.50 hr

Alternative Capital Markets

Strategies for capital-raising outside the U.S., including foreign exchange requirements and compliance with local securities laws.

Bryce D. Linsenmayer, Houston, TX

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

Presiding Officer:

Charles Szalkowski, Houston, TX

LUNCHEON PRESENTATION

12:15 p.m.

Pick Up Box Lunch

Included in conference registration fee.

12:30 p.m.

.75 hr

Corporate Finance Developments

This session will focus on the SEC's new compensation disclosure rules for executive and director compensation, related-party transactions, director independence and other corporate governance matters.

John W. White, Director of Division of Corporation Finance, SEC, Washington, DC

1:30 p.m.

1.00 hr

I Have Good News and Bad News . . .

Dealing with the SEC, analysts, press, and investors when disclosing disparate types of material information.

Moderator and Overview: Greg R. Samuel, Dallas, TX

James Brashear, Southlake, TX Mark Mouritsen, Austin, TX

2:30 p.m.

1.25 hr

The Expanded Role of Government—Civil and Criminal—in Securities and Corporate Law

This panel will explore the causes and effects of the increased role of criminal law enforcement in regulating corporate actions and disclosures, current tactics in government investigations and prosecutions, including the status of the corporate attorney-client privilege, the Klein decision reining in the Thompson memo, and statements by the SEC and DOJ.

Moderator:

Susan Hackett, Washington DC

Kenneth M. Breen, New York, NY Peggy A. Heeg, Houston, TX John R. Morgan, Austin, TX

Commentators:

Katherine S. Addleman, Fort Worth, TX Richard Roper, Dallas, TX

3:45 p.m. Break

4:00 p.m.

1.25 hr

So Much to Comply With, So Little Time

A discussion of current trends and issues in the area of corporate compliance from the perspective of outside counsel and the corporation's chief compliance officer. Discussion includes risk management framework proposals from COSO, corporate ethics programs, the continuing vitality of the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines for Organizations, and making the case for the value of a distinct compliance function. Session includes sample forms and checklists.

Michael M. Boone, Dallas, TX David A. DeMuro, New York, NY Michael W. Tankersley, Dallas, TX

5:15 p.m.

Adjourn

FRIDAY MORNING, FEB. 23, 2007

Presiding Officer: Byron F. Egan, Dallas, TX

8:30 a.m.

1.50 hr

Director Fiduciary Duties under Delaware and Texas Law (Part I)

The panel will discuss recent decisions of courts in Delaware and Texas concerning the fiduciary duties of directors, particularly in the context of executive compensation and business combinations, and how to structure transactions in light of these decisions.

Byron F. Egan, Dallas, TX Mark A. Morton, Wilmington, DE Hon. Myron T. Steele, Dover, DE Charles Henry Still, Houston, TX

10:00 a.m.

Break

10:15 a.m.

1.50 hr

Director Fiduciary Duties under Delaware and Texas Law (Part II)

After the break, the panel continues discussing recent decisions of courts in Delaware and Texas concerning the fiduciary duties of directors, particularly in the context of executive compensation and business combinations, and how to structure transactions in light of these decisions.

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12:00 p.m.

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A Demanding Partnership—What Directors Expect from Corporate Counsel

Roger W. Raber, President and CEO, NACD, Washington, DC

1:00 p.m.

.75 hr including .25 hr ethics

Changing Relationships Affecting Accounting Firms and Corporate Lawyers

In a post-Sarbanes-Oxley world there have been changes in the role of the auditor and the relationship between the accountants and the lawyers for companies. Trends in accounting and auditing make further changes likely. The topics to be explored include issues under the "Treaty" governing lawyer responses to auditor requests for information; the tension between information sought by auditors in connection with the audit; the public policy needs for preservation of attorney-client privilege protections; problematic provisions of auditor engagement letters; and opinions lawyers are being asked to give to the auditor.

Stanley Keller, Boston, MA

1:45 p.m.

.50 hr

Plaintiffs' View: Attorneys and Advisors as Taraets

The post-Enron view: the options backdating scandal and the rising tide of liability for corporate advisors.

Darren J. Robbins, San Diego, CA

2:15 p.m.

.75 hr including .25 hr ethics

Stock Option Grant Problems—The New Frontier of Government Enforcement and Prosecution

In the last year, corporate option practices have become the subject of intense media scrutiny and a widening net of government investigations, litigation and prosecutions. The Securities and Exchange Commission and the federal prosecutors have issued information requests and subpoena to an increasing number of public companies, and a number of state attorney generals have expressed their intent to become involved. For their part, a number of companies, either on their own, or with government prompting, have conducted internal investigations and have publicly acknowledged problems. Several companies have restated earnings or announced their intent to do so and have terminated senior executives. The problems continue for companies and their officers, directors, and advisers.

Harold F. Degenhardt, Dallas, TX

3:00 p.m.

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February 14, 2007-5 p.m. last day for early registration add \$50 for registrations received after this time

February 16, 2007-5 p.m. last day for full refund

February 19, 2007-5 p.m. last day for partial refunds \$50 processing fee applied

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