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“There is no longer any room for gamesmanship in pretrial discovery if the system is to survive the data deluge and remain a viable source for conflict resolution for all, not just the wealthy.”

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*Disputes Designed to Meet the Law
Rendered in a Reasoned and Fair Way*

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Today's Speakers

- ❖ Ken Withers
 - ❖ Director of Judicial Education and Content, The Sedona Conference®
- ❖ Sherry Harris
 - ❖ E-Discovery Advisory, Hunton & Williams LLP
 - ❖ Steering Committee Member, The Sedona Conference® Working Group 1
- ❖ Tom Allman
 - ❖ Steering Committee Co-Chair, The Sedona Conference® Working Group 1
- ❖ Ariana Tadler
 - ❖ Partner, Milberg LLP
 - ❖ Steering Committee Co-Chair, The Sedona Conference® Working Group 1
- ❖ Hon. John Facciola
 - ❖ U.S. Magistrate Judge, District of Columbia
 - ❖ Advisory Board Member, The Sedona Conference®

Ken Withers



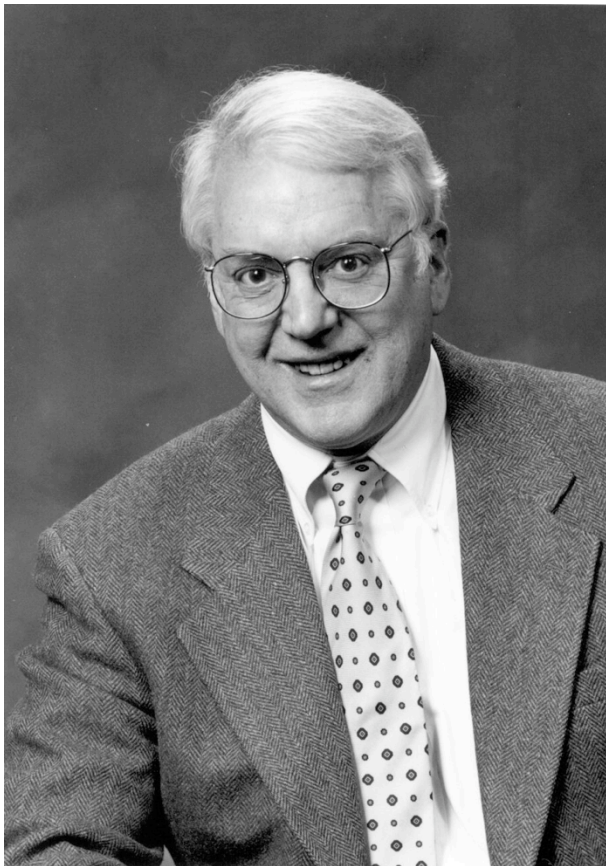
“For years, commentators have said that this madness has got to stop. But aside from offering platitudes, no one has come up with a practical plan - until now.”

Sherry Harris



“I can say with first-hand experience that discovery in the digital age has, by far, brought about the most dramatic, sweeping changes I have ever seen in the legal system.”

Tom Allman



“The courts on the firing line emphasize open and forthright sharing of information in order to minimize burden and expense by removing contentiousness as much as practicable.”

Ariana Tadler



“Mutual transparency and sharing of information enables parties to get to the very heart of the dispute and helps to avoid both exorbitant costs and unfair gamesmanship.”

Hon. John Facciola



“A judge does not have to make a case for cooperation; one wonders who could possibly make a case against it.”

Questions and comments



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