

## CONSUMER AFFAIRS SENIOR FORUM

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### *Type of Participant Targeted*

This forum is designed for commissioned examiners with experience as an examiner-in-charge. Other attendees can be senior level personnel with responsibilities and/or experience relevant to the topics being discussed. This forum is open only to Federal Reserve System personnel.

### *Prerequisites*

None.

### *Forum Overview*

Senior Forum is an interactive seminar and the foundation for a continuing education program for senior examiners and other senior personnel assigned to System supervision and regulation functions. The Forum seeks to provide authoritative analysis of emerging technical topics and important contemporary issues confronting the regulatory and banking communities. Examiners-in-charge and their supervisors will be brought up-to-date on topics they are likely to discuss with bankers. The value of the forum is enhanced by discussion between the participants and speakers.

### *Forum Objectives*

The purpose of the forum is to share best practices among examiners; provide guidance related to emerging compliance issues; provide examiners with an opportunity to identify and evaluate, in group discussions, current banking practices that increase compliance risk; address examiner recommendations and concerns; and increase job satisfaction among examiners. Topics of discussion at the forum are based upon information obtained from the Reserve Banks regarding the need for guidance, the opportunity to share experiences, and discussion of challenges facing each Reserve Bank. Just as importantly, the forum provides a meeting place for old friends, and an opportunity to meet new ones, who share a common goal.

### *Overview of Community Affairs Senior Forum Curriculum*

In the past, the following topic areas, among others, have been presented:

- Compliance Risk management
- Electronic Banking
- Fair Lending Issues
- National Flood Insurance Program
- Emerging Regulatory Issues
- Community Reinvestment Act

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### *Instructors*

Speakers from the System and industry are selected based on topics of current interest.

### *Registration and Specific Forum Information*

<http://k1dwb01.dal.frb.org/depts/bsr/CA/2006Forum/index.cfm>