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Dispute Resolution Update September 2011

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

This edition of Dispute Resolution Update features our annual one-day continuing legal education seminar; an update on our involvement in international dispute resolution and also features recent court decisions discussing mediation confidentiality and other topics.

CLE/CME Annual Training Event New Directions in Successful Dispute Resolution Settlements September 30, 2011

Our annual one-day continuing legal education event will be held Friday, September 30, 2011, at the Topeka office of Associates in Dispute Resolution (Lower Level Conference Room). The event has been approved for 7.0 hours of CLE credit in Kansas and Missouri. Presenters include: Bill Ebert, Tori Mroz, Dr. Kathie Nichols, Patrick Nichols, Kathy Perkins, John Phillips, Larry Rute and Art Thompson. If you would like to receive additional information or to reserve one of the remaining training slots that are available, click here.

Larry Rute Travels to Belfast, Ireland ADR in Family Law: An American Perspective

On September 7, 2011, Larry Rute was privileged to address the Inn of Court of Belfast, Northern Ireland. His presentation to Solicitors, Barristers and Judges of the High Court primarily focused on resolving high-conflict family matters using a variety of dispute resolution techniques, including mediation. The presentation ADR in Family Law: An American Perspective was based, in part, on presentation materials developed as an Adjunct Professor teaching Dispute Resolution at Washburn University School of Law.

Recent Court Decisions Involving Dispute Resolution

This edition of Dispute Resolution Update also features recent court decisions that discuss mediation confidentiality, information required when attending a settlement conference with a Magistrate and the validity of an oral mediation agreement. The case decisions have been summarized by Keith L. Seat, a respected mediator and editor of the International Academy of Mediators newsletter. Keith has also summarized dispute resolution news and initiatives in this country and around the world.

In Hand v. Walnut Valley Sailing Club, the U.S. District Court for the District of Kansas dismissed a case with prejudice as a result of the plaintiff's violation of mediation confidentiality provisions. In its decision, the Court discussed the importance of mediation confidentiality and the need for severe sanctions to the intentionality of the breach, the prejudice to the

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