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**** Notice For All Federal Practitioners in the United States Courts for the Sixth Circuit ****

This is to inform you that planning for the 72nd Judicial Conference of the Sixth Circuit, to be held April 24-27, 2012 at the Convention Center in Lexington, Kentucky is well underway, and you are invited to attend as an attorney admitted to practice before the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Circuit Judge John M. Rogers and District Judge Jack Zouhary have led the Planning Committee's efforts to assemble an interesting program.

The Conference will open at 8:00 A.M. Wednesday, April 25th, with morning programming including a Supreme Court Review plenary session featuring former Solicitors General of the United States Neal Katyal and Gregory Garre, and breakout sessions focused toward criminal mega-case planning, civil case management, and judicial decision-making. Thursday's program will include a plenary session focused on Kentucky legal history - the Resolutions of 1798 and 1799, as well as breakout sessions focused toward issues in bankruptcy practice, interlocutory appeals, social media's role in jury trials, Department of Justice policies and priorities, and the effect of the economy on the practice of law. Thursday's programming also includes a luncheon session with Associate Justice Elena Kagan as guest speaker. Friday morning sessions will include meetings of the various district courts, the planning for which is being coordinated by the chief judge of each district to encourage active participation by lawyers and judges in discussions of issues affecting the district courts. Please also note that we will seek continuing legal education accreditation from the state bar associations of Kentucky, Ohio, and Tennessee.

Program sessions will adjourn by early afternoon on Wednesday and Thursday leaving the balance of the afternoon open. Evening events include an Opening Reception Tuesday at the Convention Center; the Life Members' Reception on Wednesday; and the Reception and Banquet on Thursday with author Philip K. Howard of Covington & Burling, LLP as guest speaker. Social and recreational activities are in advanced stages of planning and will be summarily described in the registration materials. A working draft of the program along with planned activities is available on the website at www.ca6.uscourts.gov.

On-line registration for the 2012 Sixth Circuit Judicial Conference will be available after January 24, 2012 at www.ca6.uscourts.gov. Information required to make lodging reservations will be available at the same time, and room rates will range from \$135.00 - \$149.00 per night.

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