

## **DELIVERING STRATEGIC SOLUTIONS ACCA'S 2000 ANNUAL MEETING**

## I. IP Basics

- A. Patents:
  - 1. Right to Exclude Only
  - 2. US First to Invent
  - 3. XUS First to File
- B. Patentable:
  - 1. Article of Manufacture
  - 2. Processes
  - 3. Compositions of Matter
  - 4. Improvements
  - 5. Designs
  - 6. Plants
- C. Where Patent Issues Arise:
  - 1. Sales
  - 2. Due Diligence Review
  - 3. Employee Exit Interviews
  - 4. Ownership
  - 5. Agreements
  - 6. New Product Development
  - 7. Research
- D. Internal IP Protection:
  - 1. Plant/Company Tours (theirs/yours)
  - 2. Protect your Information (your company tours)
  - 3. Blocks use of Information (your company tours theirs)
- E. Publications
  - 1. Pre-Release Review Procedure
  - 2. Oral
  - 3. Written
- F. Information Guidelines
  - 1. How Information is Handled
  - 2. Who has Access
  - 3. Invention Disclosures
  - 4. Record Keeping
  - 5. Sales
- G. External Information Protection
  - 1. Outside Submissions
  - 2. Agreements
    - a. Material Transfer
    - b. Confidentiality
    - c. License
    - d. Research/Collaboration Agreement

## e. Settlement

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