

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ON PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

MEETING NOTICE – SAVE THE DATES

**October 19-20, 2006
WASHINGTON, DC**

The Department of State's Advisory Committee on Private International Law (ACPIL) will hold its next **general “state of the world” meeting on Private international private law (PIL) developments** on *Thursday and Friday, October 19 and 20, 2006 in Washington, D.C.* Please advise us as early as possible if you plan to attend. The meeting will be held at the Georgetown University Law Center and will begin at 9:00 a.m. on both days and conclude at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday and 3:00 p.m. Friday.

Additional information on the meeting venue and an agenda will be available for attendees before the meeting. The topics tentatively selected for this meeting include the following, subject of course to time limitations. Additional topics will be added if time permits.

- • Overview of recent developments and projections for the PIL field for the coming year: international trends such as the mixed effects of globalization and the balance between multilateralism and the role of regional bodies, such as the EU, OAS, NAFTA.
- • Developments in judicial assistance and arbitration; interim measures of protection; the New York and Panama Conventions; e-apostilles, Hague Conventions on service of process, discovery and choice of court agreements.
- • International family law and the emerging international process: bilateral and multilateral developments: implementation of the Hague Conventions; negotiation of a new convention on child support; the relationship between international family law and domestic law.
- • Cross-border business insolvency law: effect on economic development and stability; US model vs. traditional “territorialist” law; UNCITRAL and the new Chapter 15 of the US Code; treatment of cross-border corporate groups; World Bank and IMF perspectives.
- • Investment securities law and the computer-age revolution; Hague Convention of 2006 on applicable law and the draft UNIDROIT convention on substantive law.
- • Organization of American States and international private law.

- · Reports on other PIL projects.

Recommendations for additional topics, subject to time availability, are welcome.

For further information on the meeting or to register, please contact Renetta Davis at DavisRX@State.gov, or Tricia Smeltzer at SmeltzerTK@State.gov. The direct number for the office is 202-776-8420, fax 776-8482. For the agenda and updates on this meeting as well as future notices, please provide us with current email and fax addresses when you reply. Documents on these subjects are obtainable at www.uncitral.org; www.hccl.net; www.unidroit.org; and www.oas.org. Additional documents may be posted on our PIL website as soon as it is up and running.

We look forward to seeing you in Washington!

* Please adhere to the Monday, October 16, 2006 deadline. This will aid in the facilitation of the catering arrangements.

The unofficial web site for the Committee is acpil.net.