Witness the Future at the Worlds Largest Court Technology Conference

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he National Center for State Courts is holding the Seventh National Court Technology Conference (CTC7) Aug. 14-16, 2001, at the Baltimore Convention Center in Baltimore, Md. This year's conference, themed "Witness the Future," will equip more than

3,000 attendees with the latest information and high-tech solutions needed to help courts around the world adjust to the societal changes that will impact the judicial system in the twenty-first century. The National Center's court technology conferences are the world's largest conferences dedicated exclusively to court technology.

"This year, we are bringing expert faculty to CTC to teach on the technological revolution in justice," said Roger K. Warren, president of The National Center and a former superior court judge. "By exploring topics with mass implications on society, we will help elevate our attendees' understanding of the benefits technology can provide to improve judicial administration in our courts and build public trust and confidence. In the near future, self-represented litigants will be more common; judges' sentencing decisions across the country will be more consistent; and we will enjoy standardization of filing procedures across all courts. This is only the beginning. The National Center is thrilled and proud to be the leader in preparing courts to deal with these changes."

CTC7's keynote speakers will address some of the hottest technology issues facing the courts today, with topics touching on the latest trends; the challenges facing our justice system; and the challenges courts and court staff face as technology is introduced into the workplace. The conference's 30+ educational sessions will fea-

ture experts on topics that range from electronic filing of documents to public vs. private access of files to biometrics to computer-aided decision support for judges. CTC7 also will feature an international program, with special insight from authorities around the world to provide a global perspective on court technology.

A portable version of Courtroom 21, a hightech courtroom developed by The National Center and the College of William and Mary, will be on location for demonstrations of the latest technology applications and the future of electronic litigation. The CTC7 Laboratory, which is supported by a grant from the State Justice Institute (SJI), will feature multiple networked computers, a full-time Internet connection, live Web cams of the conference hall, a Top Ten Court Web Site Competition, and a CyberCafé sponsored by Lexis-Nexis. In addition, CTC7 will feature the world's largest court technology exhibition, with more than 125 vendors showcasing the newest products and services.

For more information about CTC7, check the conference's Web site at www.ctc7.net or call the toll-free CTC7 Information Line at (800) 616-6206 to receive conference materials. AJA is a contributing sponsor of CTC7.

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sage (this is highly recommended). The Garland County Bar Association, Arkansas Case Coordinators Association, and the Arkansas Municipal Court Officers sponsored a reception in the Hot Springs Convention Center. It was a wonderful experience highlighted by the opportunity to view an impressive collection of

informal photographs of "First Families" from John F. Kennedy to Bill Clinton by famed photographer Harry Benson. Many attended the races at Oak Lawn Race Track.

The midyear meeting in Hot Springs was enjoyable and productive. Plans are well under way for the annual meeting in Reno. We hope to see you there.