#### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **SPECIALIZATION**

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FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 1999

Presiding Officer: Mike Tolleson, Austin, Texas

8:00 a.m. LATE REGISTRATION

8:50 a.m. WELCOMING REMARKS

Ballroom foyer, Four Seasons Hotel, Austin. Telephone: (512)

478-4500. Continental breakfast to be provided.

9:00 a.m. WRITING FOR FILM AND TV (PART I): ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF LITERARY AND LIFE STORY RIGHTS—(1.50 hours)

> An exploration of legal and business issues in buying and selling concepts, life stories, books and other literary material for development as film or television projects. Issues addressed include: What is the role of the attorney? What are the basic copyright, privacy, defamation and other legal issues that typically need to be considered? What do submission agreements, option/purchase agreements and life story agreements look like? How are these agreements negotiated—what can relative newcomers expect? Who are typical buyers of different types of materials and stories and what are typical business and legal terms?

Moderator: F. Richard Pappas, Austin, Texas

F. Jay Dougherty, Los Angeles, California Daniel M. Satorius, Minneapolis, Minnesota

10:30 a.m. BREAK

#### 10:45 a.m. WRITING FOR FILM AND TV (PART II): SCREENPLAY AND TELEPLAY AGREEMENTS, DOCUMENTS, DEALS AND INDUSTRY CUSTOMS—(1.50 hours)

Once material has been optioned and goes into development for TV or film, new contracts for writing services must be negotiated, often with writers who had nothing to do with the original concept or material. This session examines the role of agent and attorney in obtaining and negotiating writing agreements. Sample screenplay and teleplay agreements will be provided: the panel will discuss the terminology of these agreements ("rewrite" vs. "revision"); key business and legal terms; and the importance of the Writers Guild of America (WGA) and industry custom. Moderator: F. Richard Pappas, Austin, Texas

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### 12:15 p.m. LUNCHEON PRESENTATION—(0.50 hour)—OPTIONAL

Tickets available in advance only for \$12.00 (box lunch).

Speaker: Evan M. Fogelman

The Fogelman Literary Agency, Dallas, Texas Topic: Hitting Pay Dirt in Publishing Deals—The View From Texas

## 1:45 p.m. SHOPPING RECORD DEALS: A&R APPROACH, ETHICS ISSUES—(0.75 hour ethics/PR credit)

A review of shopping agreements, compensation structures, and the appropriate approach to record labels, including a discussion of the role of lawyers in presenting creative material to A&R representatives and related ethics issues.

Kenneth Abdo, Minneapolis, Minnesota Wallace Collins, New York, New York A &R representatives, Los Angeles & New York

# 2:30 p.m. LICENSING MUSIC FOR NEW MEDIA—(1.00 hour)

A review of the legal issues and practical policies in licensing music for new media. The speakers will cover licensing terms, pricing and strategies for computer games, CD-ROMs, DVD and Internet sites. The discussion will include a review of current practices, predictions of future trends and problems involving the legal and illegal distribution and sale of music via the Internet, and the effect of new distribution options on record companies, distributors and retailers.

Robert Kohn, Palo Alto, California Steven Winogradsky, North Hollywood, California 3:30 p.m. BREAK

#### 3:45 p.m. INDEPENDENT FILM FINANCE—(1.50 hours)

An overview of film finance covering the five most common film finance/distribution scenarios, noting how independent filmmakers may relate to or participate in each. The presentation will also cover the more common method of financing for low budget independent film—investor financing, providing analysis of the three phases in the life of a film that may be financed in this manner, discussing the important distinction between active versus passive investor financing and then moving on to cover basic securities law considerations for passive investor offerings. Finally, the presentation will touch on the very contemporary aspects of raising financing for independent films on the Internet. Speaker: John W. Cones, Los Angeles, California

Texas Commentators: Michael Norman Saleman, Austin, Texas Rick Triplett, Austin, Texas

5:15 p.m. ADJOURN

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 20, 1999 Presiding Officer: Russell E. Rains, Austin, Texas

# 9:00 a.m. LEGAL ISSUES FACED BY EMERGING ARTISTS AND RECORD/PUBLISHING COMPANIES (PART I)-(1.50

hours, including 0.25 hour ethics/PR credit from 10:00-10:15) This session will focus on the selection of business structure and how this choice affects the music business directly—for example, copyright issues relating to partnership law and conflicts of interest in representing individual band members vs. the band. Trademark issues including ownership of the group name and trademark protection, and affiliation with performing rights societies, e.g., BMI, ASCAP, SESAC will also be covered.

Edward Z. Fair, Houston, Texas Thomas J. McCaffrey, Houston, Texas Steven Winogradsky, North Hollywood, California

10:30 a.m. BREAK

# 10:45 a.m. LEGAL ISSUES FACED BY EMERGING ARTISTS AND RECORD/PUBLISHING COMPANIES (PART II)—(1.50

Part two will address the next phase of legal issues faced by a developing artist or small record label/publishing company, including management agreements and talent agency agreements, shopping deals, small distribution/consignment deals, studio/producer spec deals, and investment agreements.

Edward Z. Fair, Houston, Texas Henry Root, Santa Monica, California Mike Tolleson, Austin, Texas

# 12:15 p.m. LUNCHEON PRESENTATION—(0.50 hour)—OPTIONAL

Tickets available in advance only for \$24.00.

Speakers: Evelyn Shriver & Susan Nadler, Asylum Records Nashville, Tennessee

Topic: The Changing Nature of the Country Music Business

#### SATURDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 20, 1999 Presiding Officer: David S. Sokolow, Austin, Texas

# 1:45 p.m. COPYRIGHT: WHAT HAS WASHINGTON WROUGHT. AND HOW WILL IT AFFECT THE MUSIC AND MOVIE BUSINESSES?—(0.75 hour)

An update on Congressional and Supreme Court actions affecting copyright protection and duration, music performance licensing, importation of copyrighted goods, and infringement trial procedures.

Lionel Sobel, Santa Monica, California

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#### 2:30 p.m. LITIGATION—FOCUS ON REMEDIES: CASE LAW AND PRACTICAL LITIGATION STRATEGIES—(1.00 hour)

This session examines litigation options and relevant case law for typical disputes between artists and labels, including what sorts of behaviors or actions are sufficient to terminate contracts, strategies and approaches for terminating contracts when an artist wants out, management disputes, declaratory judgment as a remedy for perpetual contract renegotiation, practical impact of threats of audits, specific performance (from both the artist and the record company's perspective), and effects of bankruptcy on recording contracts. Moderator: Cindi C. Lazzari, Austin, Texas

> Cheryl L. Hodgson, Santa Monica, California Lawrence A. Waks, Austin, Texas

3:30 p.m. BREAK

### 3:45 p.m. RECORDING CONTRACTS—INDIES VS. MAJORS: DOING THE MATH—(1.50 hours)

Comparing and contrasting major and independent label deals with an emphasis on the financial impact on the artist. Moderator: Kenneth Abdo, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Jon Polk, Santa Monica, California Daniel M. Satorius, Minneapolis, Minnesota

5:15 p.m. ADJOURN TO RECEPTION FOR SPEAKERS AND REGISTRANTS

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