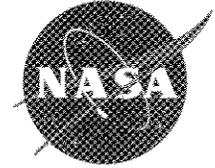


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Reply to Attn of: General Law Practice Group

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FROM: Alternate Designated Agency Ethics Official

SUBJECT: Determination Regarding Attendance by NASA Employees at the State Educational Technology Directors Assn. Awards Ceremony on June 27, 2009

NASA invitees may attend the Awards Ceremony hosted by the State Educational Technology Directors Association from 5:30-6:15 P.M. on June 27, 2009, at the Washington Renaissance Hotel.

This event will be a widely-attended gathering, to which approximately 300 representatives from various federal, state, and local governments, academia, and the community, have been invited. Food and refreshments will be served at a cost of approximately \$50.00 per person. The event provides an informal and casual opportunity for professional interaction between NASA educational policy officials and officials from other agency and organizations.

I find that the reception meets the requirements of a "widely attended gathering" as defined in 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(2). I have determined that free attendance at the above mentioned reception is in the interest of the agency because it will further agency programs and operations.

Accordingly, NASA employees that have been invited to attend may accept free attendance at the event. However, NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect event sponsors, such as by way of procurement duties, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. § 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding participation in this event from their local ethics counselor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam F. Greenstone".

Adam F. Greenstone