



“Public Data, Public Access, Privacy, and Security: US Law and Policy”

A Full Day URISA Certified Workshop
Presented by the Northern California Chapter (NORCAL)

When: May 09, 2007 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Where: City of West Sacramento Civic Center

1110 West Capitol Ave West Sacramento, California

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Workshop Description:

As data storage and distribution capacities increase, there is increasing tension between the mandates for at-cost public access to government records, protection of individual privacy; and protection of public security. There is additional tension caused by changing concepts of what constitutes public service. What is behind our traditions of open access and personal privacy? What data are subject to Freedom of Information laws? What about privacy restrictions and homeland security concerns? May a government raise revenue or defray maintenance costs by charging market prices for the data? What about liability for data errors? This workshop will focus on the critical legal issues and the policy options they frame at the federal, state, and local levels of US government. Specific topics include:

- State and Federal Freedom of Information Laws
- State and Federal Informational Privacy Laws
- Secrecy and Homeland Security Protections
- Balancing Public Access, Privacy, and Secrecy
- Data Sales vs. Data Services
- Protecting Ownership and Minimizing Liability
- Policy and Technical Considerations

Intended Audience: This workshop is intended for public sector managers and administrators, elected officials, policy professionals, database developers and administrators, and GIS professionals.

Attendees earn 0.2 Student Activity Hours (SAH)

Instructors: **Mary Tsui and Geney Terry.** Mary Tsui is a Principal in Land Systems Group (LSG), based in Monterey, California. (www.landsystemsgroup.com). Ms. Tsui has been a URISA member since 1985, and has served on URISA's Board of Directors. She has also served as the Chair of the California Geographic Information Association and is a member of BAAMA. Ms. Tsui earned a BA degree from Southern Oregon State University, and a MA degree from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Geney Terry is a GIS Analyst for El Dorado County and is currently serving on URISA's Board of Directors. She has been instrumental in forming the Northern California chapter of URISA and served as its first president. Ms. Terry is currently finishing up her Masters degree in GIS from Penn State.

Special Guest: **Terry Francke**, noted first amendment attorney and founder of Californians Aware (www.calaware.org) will be on hand to answer questions.

Cost: CHAPTER MEMBERS FREE!! Non-members pay \$50 - or save \$\$\$ by becoming a Chapter member – annual membership fees are: \$40 individual, \$20 student, \$150 corporate (up to 5 employees) Pre-registration is encouraged.

Registration form and instructions are on our website www.norcalurisa.org

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