

**U.S. OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT ETHICS
2008 NATIONAL GOVERNMENT ETHICS CONFERENCE**

“TRANSITION”

The 16th National Government Ethics Conference was held September 16 through 19, 2008, at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando, Florida. The theme was “Transition,” which emphasizes the need for adaptive change under a new administration.

New Ethics Official Conference

The New Ethics Official Conference offered a full day of training designed for ethics officials who are new to the executive branch ethics program.

National Government Ethics Conference

The National Government Ethics Conference offered five unique tracks to create a comprehensive understanding of the issues that ethics officials face during a time of transition. Those tracks are “Entering the Government,” “While Serving in Government,” “Leaving the Government,” “Timeless Topics,” and “How to Reach Them Whether they are Coming, Going, or Staying.” There were also a series of workshops, providing ethics officials with practical, hands-on experience offered. In these tracks and workshops, presentations were delivered by top ethics officials on subjects such as divestitures and insider trading, advanced financial disclosure issues, working with contractors, seeking employment, book deals, building a case for e-filing financial disclosure reports, making ethics training fun, effective initial ethics orientation, model practices in ethics programs and effective ethics agreements and screening arrangements.