



GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS & PUBLIC POLICY QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

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This Government Affairs and Public Policy Newsletter provides ASISPAC contributors with the latest information regarding the involvement of ASIS with Members of the U.S. Congress and the Department of Homeland Security.

HOMELAND SECURITY NEWS

During the second quarter of 2015, ASIS continued its work to expand public-private partnerships with the federal government. ASIS staff attended a meeting at FBI Headquarters of the reconstituted Domestic Security Alliance Council (DSAC). The goal of the DSAC is to advance the FBI's mission of preventing, detecting, and deterring criminal acts by facilitating strong, enduring relationships among its private industry members, FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Headquarters and Fusion Centers, and other government entities. DSAC also advances the private sector's ability to protect its employees, assets and intellectual property by providing access to security information and to a network of security experts, and by providing continuing education for Chief Security Officers (CSOs) and Intelligence Analysts (IAs).

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce to the DSAC's constituencies the new aims, programs and leadership of the DSAC. Speakers and panelists included fifteen prominent government and private sector representatives discussing public-private roles and relationships in security. The FBI is improving its ability to partner with the private sector and other constituencies, and the new DSAC promises better, faster and more expansive contact with its private sector

SAVE THE DATE



Please plan to join ASISPAC for our ninth major fundraising event during the Annual Seminar & Exhibits in Anaheim, CA, on the evening of Sunday, September 27, 2015. Contributors will be treated to a delicious dinner at the iconic Ruth's Chris Steak House and will be given the opportunity to spend personal time with fellow ASISPAC contributors, ASIS staff and invited Members of Congress.

PAC supporters and ASIS leaders who are U.S. citizens are encouraged to attend. Invitations will be mailed in August, and the event will be mentioned in pre-Seminar promotional materials. If you wish to attend and do not receive an invitation, please contact Kristin Rubin at kristin.rubin@asisonline.org.

Last year's dinner in Atlanta raised over \$3,000 for ASISPAC, bringing the total amount raised to date to over \$50,000. We are very grateful to our contributors and to all who help make ASISPAC successful!

2015 ASISPAC COMMITTEE

ASISPAC would like to thank the following

partners.

ASIS also held meetings with the FBI Director's Staff and senior officials who are working on Director Comey's strategic communications and partnership-building initiatives. Attendees exchanged ideas on how the FBI's partnership programs should work from the national to the local levels, including exchanges of information, programs and resources between the FBI, other private sector agencies, and private sector security professionals.

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

ASIS continued to follow the developments of security-related legislation in the House and Senate during the second quarter of 2015.

Legislative efforts have focused on the passage of cybersecurity information sharing legislation by the House and Senate. ASIS is working with a coalition of organizations to support the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 (CISA), which has stalled in the Senate after being passed by the Senate Intelligence Committee last March. Most recently, ASIS has coordinated on letters and visits to key Senate offices in promotion of CISA. While supporting its passage, ASIS continues to recommend enhanced liability protections, disclosure and antitrust safeguards, and anti-regulatory considerations that should give companies greater legal certainty when voluntarily monitoring information systems and sharing cyber threat indicators with public and private entities.

The House has passed two information sharing bills and is awaiting the passage of a Senate bill before further action can be taken by a conference committee.

In June, ASIS became a charter member of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Cyber Leadership Council. This new group of thirty prominent businesses and associations will focus on advancing smart cybersecurity policies, best practices, and market-based solutions. The group seeks to create a forum for businesses to have an open dialogue about what is effective, missing, or needed in regard to

members for their continued service on the 2015 ASISPAC Committee: Marene Allison; Linda Florence, CPP; Geoff Craighead, CPP; Bob Hulshouser, CPP; Michael R. Cummings, CPP; Barbara A. Felker; and Jeffrey A. Slotnick, CPP, PSP.

RECENT CONTRIBUTORS

ASISPAC would like to thank the following members for their contributions during the first quarter of 2015:

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Robert D. Hulshouser, CPP

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—President Theodore Roosevelt

cybersecurity policies and practices. The Council will develop and direct advocacy and education efforts and will serve as a key voice of industry for dialogue with policy makers. The group will be chaired by Howard Schmidt, former White House Cybersecurity Advisor and now partner in Ridge-Schmidt Cyber, LLC, a consultancy in the field of cybersecurity.

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