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# ASQ Section 1508 St. Petersburg/Tampa Next Meeting: *Monday, January 14, 2002*

**Presentation by** Jose Vega, Managing Consultant for Microsoft Consulting Services

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5:30pm – Networking 6:00pm – Special Feature

6:30pm - Dinner 7:30pm - Speaker Please make your reservation by e-mailing Sophie <u>and</u> Glen so that if one of them is out of the office the reservation can still be processed... or try our new on-line service at <a href="http://weiweb.com/reservations">http://weiweb.com/reservations</a>



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## **Message from the Chair**

#### Message from the Chair

Last month I shared with you my intentions to try and slow down and be more reflective. Big joke. This month I was away from home for three weeks on a business trip. However I did address the issue of neglecting my wife by inviting here to join me for a week in Italy. A very successful ploy.

This month the Section was given a challenge by one of it's members. Alan Gaumier suggested that the section could consider issues of local and national interest on a regular basis. After due consideration a press release could be issued stating the official ASQ Section position on that issue. Although this would require some serious thought and careful organization it would almost certainly achieve a stated section goal of raising the profile of the Section in the Tampa Bay community. (It would probably also generate some reaction from the Milwaukee community.)

Apparently the Section Board is not yet ready to take such an ambitious step as at the last board meeting it voted not to pursue the idea at this time.

However the idea continues to rumble inside my head. My business life has been as a low profile engineer and the idea of making public statements by issuing press releases is a strange concept for me. I question the role of the Section once again. Are we satisfied for the Section just to provide a little training and a monthly speaker or are we ambitious enough to want more. If we are serious about assuming a Quality role in the community it will require more than good intentions. It will require a vision and a lot of hard work. We have to start sometime.

Maybe if I stayed home long enough to do some work I could make a difference.

May the New Year fulfill your dreams, whether they are modest or ambitious.

John Conrad

# December Speaker David R. Ellis Attorney At Law

Lawyers sometimes, do have good things to say. That's what our ASQ chapter realized upon listening, and participating in a discussion of copyright law, presented by David Ellis. David's approach was not the usual audiovisual type presentation, but a somewhat ad-lib lecture type presentation, (we must remember, David is also a law school professor). David's presentation consisted of his common knowledge, in reference to the subject matter. Attorney Ellis did provide the group with a one page hand out, describing a few subsets of copyright law. David was curious to know the interest of our ASQ group, in regards to the type of law, in which he specializes. David introduced us to the history of the Copyright Act of 1976, which falls under Federal Statute. An interesting tid-bit of information David shared, was that copyrights protect expressions, not ideas, as most of us realized. Several aspects of copyright law, such as limitations on exclusive rights, ownership, registration, terms, and infringement were discussed. Different categories such as musical, literary, pictorial, and sound recordings were identified by headings such as (Tx) for text, (Pa) for performing arts, (VA) for visual arts, and (SR) for sound recording material. The flow of the presentation was smooth, and open enough for questions, in which there were many. The ASQ chapter appreciates the sharing of David's time, effort, and knowledge, in reference to certain aspects of patent, and copyright law.

By: Carl G. Wilkerson, Programs Co-Chair

# **location for Meetings:**

Our meetings for the 2001/2002 year will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 555 N. Westshore Blvd., Tampa. See Map below for directions.





#### Section 1508

#### **Mission Statement**

To serve our members and our community by providing:

- Current information on quality systems, concepts & practices
- Opportunity for networking
- Seminars & courses in quality related topics
- Assistance with professional certification
- Local connection to the ASQ National Organization

#### **Directions**

From St. Petersburg, Sarasota, Bradenton – take **I-275N**, crossing the Howard Frankland Bridge, take the first exit (20A), Kennedy Blvd., stay on Kennedy 5 lights to Westshore Blvd., turn left and go to the 2nd. Light and turn right. Embassy Suites Hotel 555 North Westshore Blvd. (813) 875-1555

ASQ Section 1508 - Monday, January 14, 2002. Dinner Meeting Embassy Suites Hotel Tampa Airport Westshore

Menu: Lasagna, Salad, fresh seasoned vegetables, Chef's choice of starch, Dessert & coffee. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED** 

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Please e-mail your reservations, with your phone number and company name to Sophie and Glen.

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If you prefer you can still call the ASQ Reservation Hot Line at: (813) 872-1500 x 2555

#### Before 5:00PM, Friday, January 11, 2002

Cancellations should be made by noon on the Friday before the meeting but every effort will be made to accommodate late cancellations. If you have a special dietary request - vegetarian or low fat. - please indicate this at the time you make your reservation. \$20.00 per member with a reservation or \$25.00 at the door for guests and members without a reservation. **Only cash or check accepted at the door.** If you make a reservation and <u>do not attend</u>, the section must still pay for your meal. In this event you should <u>reimburse</u> the section by sending a **check**, payable to ASQ, for \$25.00 to our treasurer, **Glen Cavanaugh**, **Essilor 4900 Park St. N, St. Petersburg, FL 33709** 

ASQ would like to thank Electric Supply of Tampa for their continued support providing the reservation hotline.



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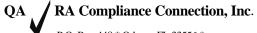
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\*\*\*If you are interested in taking over next year as Certification Chair, please contact Paul Racine.\*\*\*



The SMP (Section Management Process) is a tool developed by ASQ to encourage sections to continually measure, address and improve member satisfaction. Section 1508 recently received recognition for reaching the SMP Commitment level. The SMP planning process provides a framework for organizing and managing section activities. In several meetings during July and August, the section officers developed the broad, long range goals for the section necessary for the Commitment level submission to ASQ. These goals are now being translated into a business plan containing metrics. Generation and adoption of this business plan will allow Section 1508 to progress to the SMP Implementation level.

Ed Pagnott **SMP Chair** 

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The following courses are in the works for the upcoming months. If you are interested in these courses please keep checking our section website at

http://www.weiquality.com/asq1508/ or e-mail Mark Puetz, our Education Chair, at asq1508\_ed@hotmail.com to be put on the e-mail list for updates and information.

Please note that we will try to reschedule the courses we had hoped to offer in January, "Basic Math" and "DOE for Batch and Continuous Process Manufacturing.

02-Feb-02Saturday	Fundamentals of GD&T
09-Feb-02Saturday	Pre SPC
16-Feb-02Saturday	<b>Understanding Measurement Uncertainty</b>
23-Feb-02Saturday	Basic Auditing
02-Mar-02Saturday	Quality 101
09-Mar-02Saturday	Self Managing Work Teams
16-Mar-02Saturday	GD&T Practical Application
23-Mar-02Saturday	Understanding and Implementing SPC (part a)
30-Mar-02Saturday	Understanding and Implementing SPC (part b)
06-Apr-02Saturday	<b>Understanding and Implementing SPC (part c)</b>
13-Apr-02Saturday	Application of Advanced Statistical Techniques (part a)
20-Apr-02Saturday	Application of Advanced Statistical Techniques (part b)
27-Apr-02Saturday	Application of Advanced Statistical Techniques (part c)



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