

Moderator: Jon Kent NCBFAA Legislative Representative

Speaker: Everett Eissenstat, Chief International Trade Counsel,
Senate Finance Committee

8:30 – 10:15 a.m.

Port Congestion Panel

Capitol

Précis: As the West Coast labor negotiations are reaching an end, conditions that have surfaced at most US ports have attracted widespread attention. They include detention charges, failing infrastructure, need for expanded capacity and other factors.

Moderator: Ed Greenberg, NCBFAA General Counsel

Panelists:

- Rich Roche, NCBFAA NVOCC Committee Chairman
- Michael A. Khouri, Commissioner, Federal Maritime Commission
- Jon Gold, V.P. of Supply Chain & Customs Policy, National Retail Federation
- John Butler, C.E.O., World Shipping Council
- Jennifer Hall, General Counsel, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
- Jon Slangerup, C.E.O., Port of Long Beach

10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

Networking Break

Capitol

Immediately before session

Raffle

Three lucky winners will be drawn in raffles throughout the day, immediately before designated sessions. Must be present to win so arrive early!

10:30 – 11:45 a.m.

ITDS and PGA integration in ACE

Capitol

Précis: A number of key agencies are currently engaged in pilots designed to prepare them -- and the trade community -- for the PGAs' transition to ACE. Each agency will have unique requirements for information yet must conform to the President's Executive Order for a "single window." The panel will discuss the steps being taken to coordinate the PGAs' transition and the challenges that several of these agencies face.

Moderator: Michael Lahar, Corporate Compliance Manager, A.N. Deringer, Inc.

Panelists:

- Carol Cave, Director of Import Surveillance, CPSC
- Stuart Schmidt, Compliance Manager, UPS Supply Chain Solutions
- Domenic Veneziano, Director, Division of Import Operations
- Cynthia Whittenburg, Executive Director, Trade Policy & Programs, Office of Intl Trade, CBP

11:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Keynote Presentation: Export Update on BIS Regulations and AES Direct

Capitol

Précis: In 2009, the President undertook reform of U.S. export control: completing a significant revision of the munitions list, transferring militarily less sensitive items to the Commerce Control List, establishing more flexible

and nuanced licensing arrangements under Commerce's Export Administration Regulations, yet increasing compliance and safeguards to deter diversion or misuse. This presentation will update the Association on recent developments in reaching these goals.

Presenter: Eric. L Hirschhorn, Under Secretary of Commerce, Bureau of Industry and Security (*Invited*)

Introduction by: Jan Fields, NCBFAA Transportation Committee Chairperson

12:30 – 2:00 p.m.
Columbia

Keynote Luncheon Presentation: CBP Report from the Commissioner

Précis: An important feature of any GAC are the remarks of the Commissioner, and the continued building of NCBFAA's relationship with the Number One person at Customs.

Speaker: R. Gil Kerlikowske, Commissioner, Customs & Border Protection

Introduction by: Geoff Powell, NCBFAA President

2:00 – 2:15 p.m.
Capitol

Networking Break (Transition to the Meeting Room)

Immediately before session

Raffle

2:15 – 2:45 p.m.
Capitol

Preparations for Hill Visits and Discussion of Issues for Congressional Meetings

Précis: This session will discuss the do's and don'ts of going to your Congressman's office, preparing you to put the best foot forward on behalf of your company and your industry. Then, Legislative Counsel Jon Kent will cover the issues that you will discuss during your visits, answering your questions and helping you articulate complex subjects in an understandable way.

Presenters:

- Jerry Becnel, NCBFAA GAC Chairman
- Jon Kent, NCBFAA Legislative Counsel
- Charles Riley, NCBFAA Legislative Committee Chairman

2:45 – 3:00 p.m.
Capitol

Networking Break

3:00 – 3:40 p.m.
Capitol

Customs Reauthorization

Précis: The Customs Reauthorization bill has been passed by the House and Senate. It now awaits finalization by a conference committee composed of trade leadership from the Senate Finance and House Ways and Means Committees. While it is viewed as "must pass" legislation to accompany trade negotiating authority (which passed in July), there is likely still opportunity to impress on Congress the issues that impact our membership, in some instances very negatively. What was expected to be trade facilitation could now become trade enforcement.

Moderator: Charles Riley, NCBFAA Legislative Committee Chairman

Presenters:

- Jon Kent, NCBFAA Legislative Counsel
- Michael Cerny, NCBFAA Drawback Committee Chairman
- Hun Quach, Vice President, International Trade, Retail Industry Leaders Association

Immediately before session

Raffle

3:40 – 5:00 p.m.

ACE Implementation

Capitol

Précis: CBP recently announced that they were pushing back the November 1st deadline for the transition to ACE to February 28, 2016, for entry and release, as well as the participation of several PGAs. Although this did not alter the December 1, 2016 target for single window, the announcement set in motion a series of adjustments and issues important to customs brokers. The panel will address questions about the transition that you need to know.

Moderator: Mary Jo Muoio, NCBFAA Senior Counselor/ Customs Chairperson

Panelists:

- Amy Magnus, NCBFAA Vice President
- Debbie Augustin, Executive Director (Acting), ACE Business Office, CBP
- Paulette Kolba, NCBFAA Export Compliance Committee Chairperson
- Vince Iacopella, COO, Janel Group, Inc., COAC Member
- Rich DiNucci, Executive Director, Cargo Conveyance and Security, CBP

**5:15 p.m. (sharp!)
Hotel Lobby Stairs**

GAC Attendee Portrait
(Stairs will be marked)

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Drawback Committee Meeting (Open to all Regular Members)

6:00 p.m.

Dinner on Your Own

Tuesday
September 29, 2015

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.
Capitol

(Please be prompt, breakfast service ends once presentation begins)

Broker Regulations: Updates and Changes for your Future

Précis: NCBFAA has been heavily engaged in a discourse with CBP's Office of Trade to revise its roadmap for regulating customs brokers. Questions on the table raise fundamental questions about what CBP wants to accomplish with its regulatory authority, to the specifics of what constitutes *responsible supervision and control*. Learn what's in store for your profession.

Moderator: Geoff Powell, NCBFAA President

Panelists:

- Brenda B. Smith, Commissioner for Trade, Customs & Border Protection
- Alan Klestadt, NCBFAA Customs Counsel

9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Congressional Appointments on Capitol Hill

4 to 5:30 p.m.
Rayburn House Office
Building, Room TBD

Congressional Appointments Debriefing

Moderator:

- Jerry Becnel, NCBFAA GAC Co-Chair
- Jon Kent, NCBFAA Legislative Counsel
- Charles Riley, NCBFAA Legislative Committee Chairman

6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Rayburn House Office
Building, Gold Room 2168

Congressional Reception

Wednesday
September 30, 2015

8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Congressional CD

Transportation Committee Meeting
(Regular Members only)

Continental breakfast will be provided for the Transportation Committee and FMC attendees only; all others will have breakfast on their own.

Moderator: Jan Fields, NCBFAA Transportation Committee Chairperson

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Room: Capitol

Customs Committee Meeting with CBP
(Regular Members only)

Continental breakfast will be provided for the Customs Committee and CBP attendees only; all others will have breakfast on their own.

Moderator: Mary Jo Muoio, NCBFAA Customs Committee Chairperson

12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Room: Bryce

Lunch will be provided for the Customs Committee and CBP attendees only; all others will have lunch on their own.