

### Sheppard Mullin Government Contracts Partner, John Chierichella, to Address Homeland Security at Potomac Techwire Event

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Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP is pleased to announce that partner John Chierichella will be speaking on technology trends, issues, and predictions in the homeland security sector at a Potomac Tech Wire breakfast roundtable panel on October 25. Chierichella is a partner in the Government Contracts practice group in the firm's Washington, D.C. office.

"Homeland Security Outlook 2005" is part of the Potomac Tech Wire breakfast series that brings together senior executives in the Mid-Atlantic to discuss technology issues in a conversational, roundtable environment moderated by the editor of Potomac Tech Wire, Paul Sherman. Chierichella will participate on the panel with Marcus Collier, group president, Systems Engineering Group, Anteon Corp.; Woody Hall, senior vice president, SAIC; Bruce Walker, sector director, Homeland Security, Northrup Grumman IT; Len Moodispaw, president and CEO, Essex Corp.

Opening remarks and introductions will be provided by Ed Schiff, managing partner of Sheppard Mullin's D.C. office. Topics planned for discussion include the current homeland market, a case study, state and local homeland needs, uniqueness of homeland contracting, and advice.

The October 25 event will be held at the Ritz Carlton, Tyson's Corner, Old Dominion Room (Lobby Level), 1700 Tysons Boulevard, McLean, VA 22102. For more information, please call 202-546-8903 or visit <http://www.potomactechwire.com/seminar42.html>. The schedule is as follows: 7:30-8:00, Coffee/Networking; 8:00-9:15, Round Table & Full Breakfast; 9:15-9:30, Q&A; 9:30-10:00, Networking. The sponsors of the event are Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP and Fairfax County Economic Development Authority.

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