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## DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar and TheRemsenGroup To Co-Host Managing Partners Conference in Chicago

September Conference Will Focus Exclusively on Managing Partners of Defense Firms

**Chicago, May 26, 2016** – DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar and TheRemsenGroup have opened registration for a joint DRI/RemsenGroup Managing Partners Conference in September. The Conference, to be held September 21 and 22 at the Gleacher Center of the University of Chicago, will focus exclusively on the needs and issues of defense firms, i.e. those that primarily defend lawsuits.

DRI, a professional association of 22,000 defense attorneys, is noted for its gold-standard continuing legal education (CLE) program in providing more than thirty seminars each year, numerous online offerings, and research and advocacy on public policy issues affecting the civil justice system. TheRemsenGroup is renowned for presenting The Managing Partners Forum, its long-running annual law firm leadership conference in Atlanta each May. DRI has been a sponsor of several of those forums.

"DRI is making our managing partners a major and permanent focus," said DRI Executive Director John R. Kouris. "Their needs and issues are unique within their firms and we will make sure that they are addressed uniquely by DRI. This great conference with TheRemsenGroup is just the first demonstration of that commitment and we will announce a new and multi-faceted managing partners program at the Conference. "

The conference will include keynote speaker Timothy Pratt of Boston Scientific, a panel of managing partners, presentation of data from a new survey of defense firm managing partners, and networking opportunities.

But the centerpiece will be the very popular breakout sessions in which attendees will discuss among themselves topics such as hiring, motivating, and retaining young lawyers; compensation; succession; marketing; fee structure; and generating new business in a new legal world.

"We've been presenting law firm leadership conferences since 2002 and, it's clear to us the need for a program specifically for leaders of defense firms. We're delighted to be partnering with DRI on this exciting and important initiative," said John Remsen, Jr. president of TheRemsenGroup.

Registration and the conference brochure are available <u>here</u>. For questions or additional information, please call (312) 795-1101.

Attendance will be capped at 75 to insure a quality experience.

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## About DRI – The Voice of the Defense Bar

For more than fifty years, DRI has been the voice of the defense bar, advocating for 22,000 defense attorneys, commercial trial attorneys, and corporate counsel and defending the integrity of the civil judiciary. A thought leader, DRI provides world-class legal education, deep expertise for policymakers, legal resources, and networking opportunities to facilitate career and law firm growth. For more information, log on to <u>www.dri.org</u>