

# HODGSON RUSS'S E-DISCOVERY PROFESSIONALS ARE AWARDED CEDS CERTIFICATION

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Rosemarie Landers and Nicole Karek of Hodgson Russ LLP based in Buffalo, New York are among the select maiden group of e-discovery professionals to pass the rigorous Certified E-Discovery Specialists certification examination. Karek and Landers have now earned the right to use the prestigious designation, CEDS, as a Certified E-Discovery Specialist.

The CEDS credential is earned by individuals who pass the rigorous four-hour examination that provides a tough and objective measure of mastery of the challenging field of e-discovery. The certification program is administered by the Association of Certified E-Discovery Specialists (ACEDS), the premier membership organization of professionals in the field worldwide. Since the exam was first offered in November 2010, professionals in the United States, Canada, the UK, South Korea, Germany and China have earned the CEDS certification.

The CEDS certification is compelling evidence that designees are competent and knowledgeable in e-discovery regardless of their professional specialization—whether they are lawyers, litigation support staff, records managers, information technology (IT) specialists, technology officials, court personnel, paralegals or consultants. The credential is an assurance to employers, colleagues and clients that the CEDS-certified professional is serious about efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and risk reduction in all phases of e-discovery.

# CEDS exam is offered at 560 worldwide secure testing centers

The proctored CEDS certification exam is offered at 560 secure ACEDS-Kryterion Testing Centers worldwide, including 320 in the United States and 30 in Canada. The exam was assembled over eight months by a team of 40 leading e-discovery professionals under the guidance of the ACEDS management and an independent psychometric firm, Kryterion, to ensure the CEDS exam was technically sound and legally defensible. The computer-based examination has 145 items, and CEDS candidates receive results upon completion.

In April 2011 ACEDS began offering an online, on-demand CEDS Examination Preparation Seminar at its website at ACEDS.org.

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For more information on CEDS certification, including how to apply and register for the exam, contact Member Services by email at customerservice@ACEDS.org or by telephone at 844-992-2337.