

## CLIENT ALERT

### New Electronic Discovery Rules Approved

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As will be discussed in more detail at our upcoming Ounce Of Prevention Seminars in D.C. (April 27-28) and Irvine (May 11-12), the United States Supreme Court recently approved each of the proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure concerning the discovery of electronically stored information. The amendments, which will take effect on December 1, 2006, are designed to acknowledge the differences between electronically stored information and traditional paper files, including the vastly greater volume of electronic material; differences in the way that electronic files are created, stored, collected, and archived; and the particular challenges parties face when trying to identify, preserve, and produce potentially relevant electronic material.

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