Capturing Webpages as Evidence: The Risks and Best Practices You Need to Know
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Meeting Description:
Today, the collection of online evidence is a crucial aspect of many cases. Even before litigation begins, both plaintiff and defense frequently scour the Internet to build a case for or create a defense against an anticipated lawsuit. The search continues throughout the case.

Attorneys looking to capture and admit online content must consider the ephemeral nature of the Internet and the authentication challenges specific to web-based content. This presentation will discuss the different approaches courts have used to evaluate the admissibility of online evidence. In addition, we will examine the ways to authenticate web evidence under Federal Rules of Evidence (FRE) 901. Finally, the presentation will explore the different methods of capturing online content and outline best practices for capturing, storing and presenting web evidence.

Speaker Bios:
Patrick Schweihs is the Vice President of Customer Solutions at Page Vault and helps legal professionals capture website evidence with Page Vault. Patrick holds a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Notre Dame and a JD from the Chicago-Kent College of Law. Patrick is a licensed attorney in Illinois, and is a member of the Northern District of Illinois General Bar. He is also licensed to practice before the US Patent and Trademark Office. Patrick practiced Intellectual Property law in Chicago for several years before establishing his own legal consulting practice to help luxury brands find and prosecute counterfeits of their products online.

Jeffrey Eschbach is the CEO and founder of Page Vault, a company dedicated to bringing cloud-based business solutions to the legal space. Page Vault's flagship product permits lawyers to easily capture webpage content in a way that is also highly admissible in court. Before starting his current company, he gained over 15 years of high-tech innovation experience at best-in-class corporations such as Intel Japan and Motorola Research Labs. Jeffrey has earned seven patents related to cloud-computing, and has repeated success in developing easy-to-use solutions to complex problems. He is a National Science Foundation Fellow and earned both his BS with distinction and MS in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University. Jeff later received his MBA with highest honors from Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management, focusing on Entrepreneurship and Tech Strategy.