

*The National Commission to  
Ensure Consumer Information  
and Choice in the Airline Industry*

**NEWS RELEASE**

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**COMMISSION SETS  
SAN FRANCISCO HEARING**

WASHINGTON, D.C., July 8, 2002 -- Travel agents and on-line computer reservations companies will make presentations at the third hearing of the National Commission to Ensure Consumer Information and Choice in the Airline Industry on July 11th in San Francisco, according to Commission chairman David Winstead.

The nine-person panel was established by Congress to investigate the financial condition of travel agents. Also, to determine whether there are impediments to the distribution of schedule and fare information to the traveling public, and if so the effects on travel agents, on-line agencies and consumers. Earlier hearings were held in Washington, D.C. and Chicago.

Scheduled witnesses for the San Francisco hearing are:

- Michael Mulvagh, VP industry affairs & communications, American Express
- Brian Barth, CEO, Sidestep, Inc.
- Daniel Ko, CEO, Qixo, Inc.
- Les Ottolenghi president and CEO, Agentware, Inc.
- David Rojahn, DTR Travel, Englewood, CO
- Robert E. Kern, Jr., PNR Travel, Los Angeles, CA
- Steve Hewins, Carlson Wagonlit Travel, Portland, ME
- George Delanoy, Brea Travel, Brea, CA

The July 11th hearing will begin at 9:30 am in the Crown Room of the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco.

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