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Tom is a frequent lecturer on the subject of legal technology, teaches CLE courses nationwide and is also a prolific writer. He was a co-author of the 2006 award winning article, "In Katrina's Wake", which covered recovery efforts in the legal community of post Katrina New Orleans, in which he participated. He was also the author of the Second, Third and Fourth Editions of *The Automated Law Firm*: A Guide to Computer Systems and Software published by Aspen Law & Business as well as *The Lawyers Guide to Summation* and *EDiscovery for Small Cases*, both published by the ABA.

Tom has also been awarded numerous professional accolades including the inaugural Betsy Ann Reynolds Award for Excellence In Litigation Support from the Litigation Support Leaders Conference and the inaugural Scarpitti Award for Professional Achievement from the Masters Conference.

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