

## **Concurrent Panel Sessions 3B – Auditing**

### **The Cost, Benefits, and Difficulties of SOX**

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In response to several well-publicized financial frauds, Congress passed the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Since that time, much has been written about the benefits and costs of the new law. In this panel session, high-profile practitioners will offer their observations about the implementation as well as the ongoing costs and benefits of compliance with the requirements of Sarbanes-Oxley. Participants in this session will gain insight that can be brought to their classrooms as well as to their academic research.