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# “Food for Thought” Training

November 16, 2017 – Carmine’s in Washington, D.C.  
Course #1272

## The FOIA Ecosystem: We're All in This Together

**Thomas S. Blanton** has served as the Executive Director of the National Security Archive since 1992. The National Security Archive files over 1,000 FOIA requests every year and has won the George Polk Award for "piercing self-serving veils of government secrecy, guiding journalists in search for the truth, and informing us all." The *Los Angeles Times* has described the Archive as "the world's largest nongovernmental library of declassified documents." During this Food for Thought discussion, Blanton will discuss lessons learned from his decades in the FOIA trenches, the symbiotic relationship between requesters and processors, and how both sides can work together to improve the FOIA process and release more information to the public.

**TIME:** 11:45 AM – 1:30 PM - Salad is preset and food is served family style at noon.  
**The presentation begins at 12:35 pm.**

**WHERE:** Carmine’s at 425 7th St., NW, Washington, DC 20004 Tel: 202-737-7770  
Please visit: <http://www.carminesnyc.com/locations/wadc/index.php> for more information.

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** The ASAP General Membership Meeting follows the luncheon. If you would like to attend, please plan on remaining at the venue for the duration of the general membership meeting, which will last until approximately 2:00 pm. The meeting is open to all. If you want to attend only the General Membership Meeting, please arrive at 1:30pm.

### **COST: SAVE \$5 ON PUBLISHED PRICING: REGISTER & PAY ON-LINE!**

Registration/Tuition Fees are for the Training Event (Lunch is also provided, which is underwritten in part by the American Society of Access Professionals.)

**PRIOR to 12 pm on November 13:** ASAP Members = \$35 and Nonmembers = \$50  
**AFTER 12 pm on November 13:** ASAP Members = \$40 and Nonmembers = \$55

**MENU:** Garlic Bread; Fried Zucchini; Rigatoni & Broccoli; Chicken Marsala & Mushrooms; Tiramisu; Coffee, Hot Tea, Iced Tea and Water. (It is a special priced menu for ASAP, so no other beverages are available, and there are no substitutions.)

### **Metro Trains Information:**

- **Archives- Navy Memorial Penn Quarter** 701 Pennsylvania Avenue - Come off the train and head north on 7th street NW toward D street NW. Carmine's is on the right. (Only .14 miles)
- **Gallery PI- Chinatown** 630 H Street, NW - Come off the train at Verizon Center and head south on 7th Street NW toward F street. Carmine's is on the left. (Only .21 miles)
- **Judiciary Square** 450 F Street, NW -Come off the train and proceed west on F street toward 5th street NW. Turn left on 7th street and Carmine's is on the left. (Only .26 miles)

**Where can I find convenient parking?** - The parking garage entrance is on E street at 616 E St., NW. The garage has an elevator entrance into Carmine's (**Note:** expensive - \$28.00 or more!!)

# REGISTRATION FORM FOR ASAP FOOD FOR THOUGHT TRAINING – 11/16/2017

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Featuring Thomas S. Blanton

- 1) Telephone registration is not accepted.
- 2) SAVE \$5.00 - Register online at <https://accesspro.org/>.
- 3) Fax/email your reservation to: eFax 202-216-9646 or analog fax 202-216-0246 or [asap@accesspro.org](mailto:asap@accesspro.org).
- 4) We have a strict attendance guarantee with the restaurant. No-Shows WILL be invoiced/charged.
- 5) SEATING IS LIMITED TO 45. ASAP reserves the right to close registration when capacity is reached.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency/Org.: \_\_\_\_\_ Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special needs, as required by the ADA: \_\_\_\_\_

ASAP Member? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

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**Register On-Line: (SAVE \$5!!)** The registrant must log in, select the event from the menu, and follow the prompts. Payment information must be entered. (If the cardholder is a different person, then the cardholder needs to sit at the registrant's computer and complete the payment section.) The system will send an acknowledgement to the registrant and a receipt. The receipt does not have credit card numbers. It is the registrant's responsibility to forward the receipt to the cardholder. (As a back-up, ASAP can provide a transaction record for the cardholder.) Remember to check junk and spam filters.

LOG IN – The user's log in is usually the first initial followed by the last name, all lower case and all one word. Example: John Doe is jdoe. Use the "Forgot Password" link to retrieve your password. Having difficulties, or not in the system? Send [asap@accesspro.org](mailto:asap@accesspro.org) your contact information so that we can set you up, and you can take advantage of the discounts.

Credit Card Payment – Government or personal VISA, MasterCard, AMEX accepted. Cards are processed upon receipt. Receipts are auto-generated to cardholders with successful transactions.

### **ALL FIELDS ARE REQUIRED (Forms are immediately shredded after processing.)**

Credit Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Card Holder Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Card Holder EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

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