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Dear Fred:

Thank you for the outline of the April 22 program. I would like to revise the headline for my morning piece to something like: **Five Compelling Reasons for Law Firms and Lawyers to be on the Internet.**

What I want to signal a break from is the notion of the Internet as another LEXIS or WESTLAW (but distributed and therefore unreliable and chaotic), i.e., a vast and largely uncharted data ocean on which lawyers and librarians who were prepared to fight off dangerous teen-age hackers might go fishing in pursuit of law data. My current plan is to begin with the Net as place to show firm expertise to those in search of it, putting use of the Net in doing research toward the bottom of my list (of five reasons).

Who is in charge of the arrangements for the data connection and projection equipment for the program session? I need to review what I should bring and consider what I will be able to do with that person.

Finally, if you have e-mail addresses for all of us or even some of us please share them for that would assist coordination as the date draws near. (Mine is martin@law.mail.cornell.edu)

Sincerely,

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