



PDF/A

Background

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- History Levenson/Warfel
- PDF as an Archive Standard Hughes
- Technical Users Perspective Brinkema

PDF/A Overview

- Cradle to Grave Records Management
- Concept of PDF/A
- Future Proofing Your Records
- Possible Requirements of PDF/A
- Committee Selection & Participants

Cradle to Grave Records Management

- **Problem**
- **Citizens participation and electronic government**
- **PDF as the Rosetta Stone**
- **Life cycle costs of documents**

Concept of PDF/A

- Problem
- **Originated within the U.S. Government**
 - Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts

Future Proofing Your Records

- **Compatibility into the future**
- **Migration**
- **Independent group ownership**
- **Independent group definition**

Possible Requirements of PDF/A

- **Business and technical requirements**
- **Restricts PDF in certain ways**
 - Format
 - Meta-data requirements
 - Security, encryption, signatures
 - External references
 - Audit trails
- **Guidance Documents**
 - Technical overview, Usage/Implementation documents

Committee Selection & Participants

- **Standards organizations reviewed**
 - AllM International
 - NPES
 - ARMA
- **Published by recognized standards body**
 - ANSI
 - ISO
- **Participants (284 signed up as of 10/2/02)**