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Biography:

Mr. Sikich leads Logical Management Systems, Corp.'s consulting services. Geary is an impact-based planning expert. His client list spans private sector industries and public sector entities at all levels. He has consulted with organizations in healthcare, information technology and telecommunications, financial services, transportation, utilities, heavy industry, energy; as well as Governments in Canada, U.S., Nigeria and Angola. Geary focuses his consulting practice on impact-based Strategic Planning, Managing Emerging Technologies, and Strategic Decision Support and Knowledge Management Systems. He has a B.S. in Criminology from Indiana State University, M.Ed. in Counseling and Guidance from the University of Texas at El Paso. Geary speaks at industry conferences worldwide, and has been a guest lecturer at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management, George Washington University and University of California Berkeley.

His main areas of focus are organizational strategy, decision theory, managerial decision making, and risk management. He has published over 175 papers that have appeared in journals ranging from the *John Liner Review*, *Continuity Insights* and *Supply & Demand Chain Executive*. His first book *It Can't Happen Here: "All Hazards" Crisis Management Planning* (PennWell Publishing, 1993) received an extensive profile in *Disaster Recovery Journal* and *Disaster Resource Guide*. He wrote *The Emergency Management Planning Handbook* (McGraw-Hill, 1994) which discusses decision making in crises situations (profiled in *Contingency Planning & Management*). This book was translated into Spanish in 1995 and has received accolades from Spanish speaking continuity planners throughout the world. He wrote *Integrated Business Continuity, Maintaining Resilience in Uncertain Times* (PennWell Publishing 2003) focusing on integrating strategic, grand tactical and tactical aspects of continuity planning. His latest "*Protecting Your Business in a Pandemic: Plans, Tools, and Advice for Maintaining Business Continuity*," Praeger (Greenwood Publishing Group) will be available in 2008.

He is recognized internationally as a speaker and symposium leader, having developed executive level courses on crisis management; continuity planning; vulnerability; risk and threat assessment; regulatory compliance; supply chain business continuity, terrorism and workplace violence prevention.