



## Visit with Mr. William K. Suter Clerk of the United States Supreme Court

In July 2004, Bianca Becker, John Gallagher and Chris Camerucci of Becker Gallagher Legal Publishing had the privilege of meeting with William Suter, Clerk of the United States Supreme Court. Because of our numerous filings with the Court, Mr. Suter graciously shared a morning with our firm explaining the inner workings of the Court.

Our experience and interest in both CD Rom and electronic filings led to a discussion of the Court's position on electronic media. Mr. Suter explained in detail the intricacies of electronic filings, including his assessment of current and future policies.

As you would expect, due to the sheer volume of cases filed, the Court does not accept electronic filings at the Petition stage. However, at the Merit stage, Mr. Suter explained that the Court has accepted electronic filings on a limited basis such as in *Bush v. Gore*, where Court personnel worked virtually 24 hours a day. The Court will accept a pdf of the Petitioner's Reply Brief at the Petition stage, and all briefs filed at the Merit stage if accompanied by the printed booklet. Mr. Suter told us the Court has reviewed and tested CD Rom technology (including hypertext links), but at this time is accepting only printed booklets and pdf's.

First hand experience with the workings of the Court, superior technology, and the legal staff to provide immediate brief revisions allows us to continue providing you exceptional service.