

Rapid Data's Dan Kazzaz Named Chair of X12 National Committee

Apatoff | Peters Client Elected to Top eCommerce Industry Position

October 3, 2005 (Bethesda, MD). Rapid Data Interchange, LLC Founder and President Daniel I. Kazzaz was elected Chairman of the Accredited Standards Committee X12 (ASC X12), Rapid Data announced today. Chartered by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), ASC X12 is the leading national committee for technical and commercial standards for automated B2B eCommerce. ASC X12 hosts over 275 standards to enable many aspects of eCommerce in government and in the health care, insurance, utility, education, and financial services industries. More information about ANSI ASC X12 is available at <http://www.x12.org>.

"We congratulate Dan on his election to this important industry position and look forward to continuing our collaboration with him as he remains at the forefront of the eCommerce space," said Craig Peters, Principal in Apatoff | Peters. "Dan's vision for standards-based B2B eCommerce will reduce the complexities required to implement today's eCommerce technologies. It is a credit to Dan's entrepreneurial and technical skills to be elected to lead the premier standards-setting organization in the eCommerce industry," noted Adam Apatoff, also a Principal in Apatoff | Peters.

Bethesda, Maryland-based Rapid Data Interchange is an information technology product and services firm focused on enabling eCommerce networks and promoting standards-based eCommerce transactions in a variety of industries. Prior to founding Rapid Data, Mr. Kazzaz was the founder and CEO of PaperFree Systems, Inc., the leading EDI middleware provider to the utility, financial services, insurance and healthcare industries. PaperFree pioneered the enabling technology for HIPAA-complaint eCommerce transactions for the healthcare industry before being acquired by New Era of Networks, Inc., and later by Sybase, Inc. Principals in Apatoff | Peters represented PaperFree on licensing and corporate matters, including the company's acquisition. Apatoff | Peters today represents Rapid Data on Technology, Tax and Corporate matters.

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