



AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY

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To: All ATOS Members
From: ATOS Board of Directors
Subject: New Recording Policy at Conventions

Following extensive research by independent, outside legal counsel, the ATOS Board of Directors and President and CEO Ken Double are announcing an immediate change of policy regarding recording by members at ATOS conventions. Copyright law and the potential for serious, negative financial ramifications have forced the Board to enact a ban on all recordings at conventions effective immediately. The leadership of ATOS understands that this policy negatively affects many who have enjoyed recording in the past. However, the prudent and proper decision has been made based on the best legal advice provided to ATOS by an outside expert. There will be a full and detailed explanation in the President's Message in the upcoming May/June issue of THEATRE ORGAN. In addition, the Board is exploring options for a "highlights/Best of..." recording to be made available for convention attendees.

Feel free to direct questions to Board members or directly to Ken Double.