

## **The Refractive Thinker® Review Process**

Each volume of The Refractive Thinker® is reviewed at several levels.

The first submission of a contributing author or contributing authors of their chapter summary is submitted through the Managing Editor to a team panel of reviewers or referees [3 to 4 members] who are chosen specifically for their context expertise as related to a particular volume's theme as noted in the title. After the referees receive this chapter summary, they review the information providing comments within one to three weeks to the managing editor. In their critiques, referees:

- Comment on the merits and validity of the research that provides the foundation for the chapter summary, identifying errors and evaluating the design and methodology
- Judge the significance by evaluating the importance of the findings as it relates to the particular volume's theme and the author(s) overall field or discipline
- Determine the originality of the work based on how much the results may advance the field as well as the business landscape
- Evaluate the nature of this doctoral research being on the cutting edge to further the aims of the philosophy of The Refractive Thinker, to explore beyond boundaries and conventional wisdom
- Reviewers also identify missing or inaccurate reference as well as compliance to the required APA Format.
- Recommend that the chapter summary be included within publication or rejected.
- The Managing Editor makes the final determination.
  - If there are any differences of opinion, the Board of Directors may be called upon for further review and resolution.

Each peer reviewer must:

- Hold an accredited doctorate degree within the United States.
- Be a current expert in their field that applies to the current volume theme.
- Be affiliated with an accredited institution of higher learning within the United States, and teach at the doctoral level.
- Accept an invitation to peer-review.