

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION
MEETING MINUTES
November 11, 2004**

Attendees: Frank Angileri, Charles Ashbrook, Craig Baldwin, Beverly Bunting, Denise Glassmeyer, Lisa Smith (via phone), Laura Slenzak, and Lynn Chard and Kelly Miller of ICLE
Absent: Catherine Brown, Catherine Collins, Laura Hargitt, John Naber; Greg Bondarenko.

Mr. Baldwin called the meeting to order at approximately 9:40.

1. Secretary/Treasurer Report

The October 14, 2004 meeting minutes was unanimously approved.
Ms. Bunting reported that the Section has an account balance of \$49,000.

2. Spring Seminar 2005 – March 14, 2005

- a. The draft outline of the spring seminar was discussed in detail. Some of the speakers are already confirmed, others are awaiting confirmation.
- b. Ms. Chard will follow-up with confirmation of the PTO speakers.
- c. Ms. Smith agreed to moderate the trademark portion.
- d. The luncheon speaker will be Judge Moran of the Northern District of Illinois.
- e. Mr. Ashbrook is tracking down a speaker within Pfizer to speak on licensing.
- f. Mr. Angileri brought up a potential topic, The Justice Department Report on IP. The report discusses when to get the Justice Department involved in IP matters. It was determined that this may be a better topic for the summer institute. Mr. Angileri will follow up.
- g. Other venues for the 2006 conference were discussed, including the East Lansing Marriot, Holiday Inn South and Radisson Hotel.

3. Summer Institute '05

- a. A tentative course schedule was provided by Ms. Chard and discussed in detail. The course schedule lists topics, speakers and order of presentation. Several of the speakers are confirmed.
- b. The Trademark advanced limited enrollment session was discussed. The logistics of holding a limited enrollment session were discussed. No agreement was reached regarding how to limit enrollment, whether to charge an additional amount for attending this session, or how much to charge. Concern general discussion was held regarding potential topics and presenters.
- c. Ms. Slenzak will contact Betsey Bilus of PepsiCo., Inc as a potential speaker on Trademark Issues with Brand Management.

- d. Ms. Smith will continue to attempt to contact Vivian Chan to speak on Trademark/Copyright Issues with China. Other potential speakers include Maria Linn or Benjamin Bye.
- e. Mr. Baldwin will contact Tsan Abrahamson to speak on the topic of Use of the Internet in Support of Trademark Litigation.
- f. Michel and Radar were eliminated as Federal Circuit Judge speakers. Linn or Prost are being considered. A topic is to be decided on.
- g. Ms. Chard will pursue inviting Governor Granholm
- h. We will not hold a joint session with the litigation section.


4. International Trade Forum

- a. Lisa Smith reported that both seminar were well received. There were about 30 attendees in Grand Rapids, and 60 in Detroit.

5. Proceedings

The next issues are planned for January 05 and May 05.

6. Old Business

- a. Change to Bylaws – Ms. Glassmeyer forwarded the proposed change to State Bar for review and approval.
- b. The section joined in on the amicus brief filed by the New York IP section on *Phillips v. AWH Corp.*, 363 F.3d 1207, 70 USPQ2d 1417 (Fed. Cir. 2004) (67 PTCJ 576, 4/16/04 ). Ms. Slenzak will continue to monitor.
- c. Ms. Slenzak and Ms. Smith sent a notice to the law schools in Michigan announcing the writing contest for law students. The SBM IPLS will provide a cash award of \$1000 to the winning paper which provides a study of the proposed Model State Trademark Act as compared and contrasted to existing Michigan trademark law and which provides a recommendation for what Michigan should do as far as enactment of the model act or a modified version of the model act. The judges will be an ad hoc panel approved by the section. The winner will be announced at the Spring Seminar.

7. New Business

There was no new business discussed.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 9, 2004, and will be held in Lansing at 9:30 am.

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at approximately 11:35am.