

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION
MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2004**

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

Ms. Collins called the meeting to order at approximately 9:40.

1. Secretary/Treasurer Report

The November 11, 2004 meeting minutes was unanimously approved.
Ms. Bunting reported that the Section has an account balance of \$49,706.

2. Spring Seminar 2005 – March 14, 2005

- a. The draft outline of the spring seminar was discussed in detail. Still awaiting conformation on Carol Bidwell. Concern expressed with Doll from PTO as a speaker. Ms. Collins will investigate.
- b. Ms. Chard will send email to section members in mid-December announcing seminar. (Mailed on 12/15/04) The website will be updated. A flier will be sent in early January. General consensus is to use a “brighter” paper so that flier stands out.
- c. Ms. Smith agreed to moderate the trademark portion.
- d. The luncheon speaker will be Judge Moran of the Northern District of Illinois. A topic is still needed.
- e. Mr. Ashbrook has invited Alex Fowkes from Pfizer to speak on licensing, not yet confirmed.
- f. Mary Squires is to be invited to discuss global TM filing.
- g. John Nabor will coordinate student breakout session.
- h. Other venues for the 2006 conference were discussed, including the East Lansing Marriot, Holiday Inn South and Radisson Hotel. Ms. Miller will investigate. Biggest concern is size. If we book Kellogge early, we can probably get more space if necessary.
- i. John Nabor will coordinate seminar in 2006.

3. Summer Institute '05


- a. The course schedule was provided by Ms. Chard and discussed in detail. The course schedule lists topics, speakers and order of presentation. Most of the speakers are confirmed.

- b. The Trademark advanced limited enrollment session was discussed. Enrollment is limited to 40 participants. Additional cost of \$30 per session was agreed upon, with increased cost of overall seminar. Will try to keep advanced sessions revenue neutral. An audio of the update sessions will be available to those attending the advanced seminar.
- c. Tsan Abrahamson will speak on advertising issues. Ms. Slenzak will determine if Linda Heban of Harley Davison can speak on Internet topic.
- d. Ms. Smith confirmed Vivian Chan will speak on Trademark/Copyright Issues with China.
- e. Mr. Baldwin will follow up on a speaker for a potential Internet topic, such as managing misuse of trademarks on the Internet and enforcement, or how to clear a trademark over a domain name.
- f. Federal Circuit Judge Prost has been invited. Suggested topics are judge's perspective on effective litigation tactics, or claim interpretation/Phillips. If the judge accepts, may have shorter sessions on Friday and will move either trademark speaker or justice department speaker to Friday.
- g. Ms. Chard will pursue inviting Governor Granholm
- h. The breakfast for registrant will be a continental breakfast in the meeting room.
- i. John Nabor and Greg Bondarenko will coordinate the corporate roundtable discussion. File management is a potential topic, with Rader Fishman and Ford (Damian Porcari) as potential panel members.

4. Proceedings

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

5. 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 indicated that no papers were received for the section sponsored writing contest

7. New Business

- a. It was agreed not to participate in the Section Leaders Advisory Council.
- b. We agreed not to comment on the State Bar Rules of Professional Conduct & Standards for Imposing Lawyer Sanctions.
- c. We agreed not to comment on the Proposed Amendment to MCR 3.602 (Arbitration) and 2.403 (Case Evaluation).

- d. Catherine Brown and Beverly Bunting will participate on a public policy subcommittee on new issues.
- e. The new State Bar Representative is Stephan Murphy.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 13, and will be via conference phone at 9:30 am.

The meeting adjourned by unanimous consent at approximately 11:50am.