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**PCT Workshop**

IPLS is sponsoring a PCT Workshop for both attorneys and non-attorneys, presented by Louis Maassal from WIPO and Carol Bidwell from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. The Workshop will be held on Wednesday November 5, 2003 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids, Michigan and repeated on Thursday, November 6, 2003 at the Troy Marriott, Troy, Michigan. For more information, see [www.WIPO.org](http://www.WIPO.org) or contact Catherine S. Collins or Beverly Bunting. The registration fee of \$35 includes course materials and lunch. **Registration forms must be received by October 22, 2003 (see page 4).** The Workshop topics are as follows.

- **Preface**
  - Introduction to the PCT System
  - PCT Contracting States
  - Recent Changes in PCT Procedures
  - Basics of the PCT
- **Chapter I**
  - Filing of PCT Applications by US Applicants
  - The International Bureau as a Receiving Office
  - Agents and Common Representatives
  - PCT-EASY Software
  - Correction of Defects Relating to the Filing of the International Application
- **Application**
  - Claiming Priority and Furnishing of Priority Document
  - International Search
  - International Bureau Functions
  - International Publication
- **Chapter II**
  - Filing of Demand for International Preliminary Examination
  - International Preliminary Examination
- **Examination Procedures**
  - Unity of Invention and Protest Procedure
  - Fees Payable under the PCT
  - Amendments
  - Recent Developments of the PCT
- **National Phase**
  - Entry into the National Phase
  - US National Phase Requirements
  - Entry into the European Regional Phase
  - Comparison of US/ISA/IPEA Route to EP/ISA/IPEA Route
- **Procedures**
  - Docketing
  - Benefits
  - Strategies
- **Reference**
  - PCT Publications
  - Telephone and Facsimile Numbers

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## **Intellectual Property Law Summer Institute and Spring Seminar**

The 29th Annual Intellectual Property Law Summer Institute was held July 17-19, 2003 at the Grand Hotel in Mackinac Island, Michigan. This year's topics included:

- PTO: View from the Director's Office, Presented by USPTO Director James Rogan
- Updates on Trademarks, Patents and Copyrights
- Scope of Privilege and Opinion Letters
- Top Ten Mistakes When Structuring License Agreements
- How to Register and Enforce Trademarks in the European Union
- Complex Patent Litigation
- Update on Internet Laws for IP Attorneys

The 30th Annual Intellectual Property Law Summer Institute will be held July 22-24, 2004 at the Grand Hotel in Mackinac Island, Michigan. The 2004 Spring Seminar will be held on March 15, 2004 at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing, Michigan.

### **IPLS Web Page**

We encourage you to visit us on the web at [www.michbar.org](http://www.michbar.org) (go to the 'Member Resources' pull-down list and select 'Committees, Sections & Task Forces' and then 'Intellectual Property') for information on IPLS and upcoming events.

### **Amendments to the IPLS Bylaws**

Members voted to amend the IPLS bylaws at a special meeting of the Section on March 14, 2003. The

Board of Commissioners approved the amendment at its meeting on April 25, 2003. The newly amended bylaws are posted on the IPLS Web Page at [www.michbar.org](http://www.michbar.org).

The amended bylaws allow IPLS to hold its annual meeting at times and places other than the State Bar annual meeting.

### **IPLS Annual Meeting**

This year, the IPLS annual meeting was held on Friday, July 18, 2003 during the 29th Annual Intellectual Property Law Summer Institute. New Council members were elected.

### **Submission to Proceedings**

Articles of interest to the membership are actively solicited for publication on the IPLS Web site. If you have recently researched a topic of interest to our membership please consider a submission. Submissions should be sent directly to the editor: Catherine U. Brown, c/o Dow Corning Corporation, 2200 W. Salzburg Road, P.O. Box 994, Midland, MI 48686-0994 or e-mail to [c.u.brown@dowcorning.com](mailto:c.u.brown@dowcorning.com).

### **Council Meetings**

The council reminds the membership that all section members are invited to attend Council meetings. Council meetings are generally held on the first Thursday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road, Lansing. Dates and locations for upcoming events are listed in the IPLS Planning Calendar in each issue of *Proceedings*.

## **IPLS PLANNING CALENDAR**

### **WHAT WE'VE DONE . . . WHAT WE'LL DO**

July 17-19, 2003: .....	29th Annual Intellectual Property Law Summer Institute, Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island and Annual Meeting of the Section
August 7, 2003: .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road, Lansing
September 4, 2003: .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road, Lansing
October 2, 2003: .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road, Lansing
November 5, 2003: .....	PCT Workshop, Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids
November 6, 2003: .....	PCT Workshop, Troy Marriott, Troy
December 4, 2003: .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road, Lansing
March 15, 2004: .....	Spring Seminar, Kellogg Center, Lansing
July 22-24, 2004: .....	30th Annual Intellectual Property Law Summer Institute, Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island

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Please register me for the Michigan Intellectual Property Law Section PCT Workshop to be held between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm:

- November 5, 2003 at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel, Grand Rapids, Michigan, (616) 774-2000; or  
 November 6, 2003 at the Troy Marriott, Troy, Michigan, (248) 680-9797.

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The Registration Fee is \$35.00. Please make checks payable to "State Bar of Michigan." **Credit cards not accepted.** Registration form must be received by October 22, 2003. If faxing or emailing, please follow up with confirmation copy and payment by mail.

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The bylaws of the State Bar of Michigan were amended in 2002 to allow sections to hold their annual meetings at times and places other than the State Bar annual meeting. IPLS will be asking its members to vote on whether to amend the section bylaws similarly. The current IPLS bylaws are available on the IPLS Web Page. The proposed amendment will also be posted on the IPLS Web Page in February, 2003. Members will be asked to vote upon the proposed amendment at a special meeting of the section at the Spring Seminar.

### Spring Seminar

The Spring Seminar will be held March 14, 2003 at the Kellogg Center in East Lansing. Look for registration information in the mail. For detailed information and to register, check the ICLE web page at [www.icle.org/springip](http://www.icle.org/springip). This year's topics include:

- New Rules for Patent Re-examinations
- New Ground Rules for Prior Art: Changes to 35 U.S.C. 102(e)
- New Rules for Trademarks
- Practical Implications of U.S. Adoption of the Madrid Protocol
- How to Draft Effective License Agreements
- Enforceability of Restricted Covenants and Non-Compete Agreements with Respect to Intellectual Property
- Nuts and Bolts of Protection of Intellectual Property when Licensee files for Bankruptcy
- Use of Animation and Video Presentations at Trial

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December 5, 2002 .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road Lansing
January 9, 2003 .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road Lansing
February 6, 2003 .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road Lansing
March 6, 2003 .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road Lansing
March 14, 2003 .....	IPLS Meeting and Spring Seminar Kellogg Center, East Lansing <i>Registration information available at <a href="http://www.icle.org/springip">www.icle.org/springip</a></i>
April 3, 2003 .....	Council Meeting, 9:30 a.m. Sheraton at 925 Creyts Road Lansing
July 17-19, 2003 .....	29th Annual Intellectual Property Law Institute Grand Hotel Mackinac Island

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