

INFORMATION

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, February 23 (Dinner 6-9 p.m.) and Friday, February 24, 2012 (Conference 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.)

LOCATION: Suffolk University Law School, 120 Tremont Street, Boston

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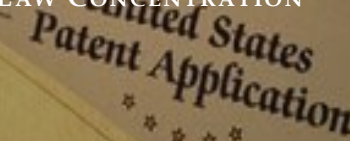


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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Qualification as “statutory subject matter” has been an increasingly common topic of recent caselaw, including a surprising number of cases heard by the U.S. Supreme Court. Fundamental questions are now being raised in several areas, including medical diagnostic testing, software, business methods, and even the patentability of isolated genetic material. The conference will discuss recent cases opining on statutory subject matter and guidelines planned by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to assist Examiners in determining whether a claimed invention qualifies as statutory subject matter.

The America Invents Act, the most significant legislative reform in Patent Law since 1952, was enacted in September 2011 after a long awaited delay in Congress and the Senate. The US Patent and Trademark Office is actively soliciting input as it formulates rules for examination in view of the new Act. Maintaining, planning and enforcing patent rights will likely change in light of the new law and rules. Controversial issues raised by the Act will be discussed in detail.

BENEFITS OF ATTENDING

Gain insight into recent caselaw regarding statutory subject matter from the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, top Patent Office Officials, academics and experienced practitioners and commentators.

Obtain information from the Director of Patent Legal Administration regarding plans for implementation of the new patent law by the US Patent and Trademark Office.

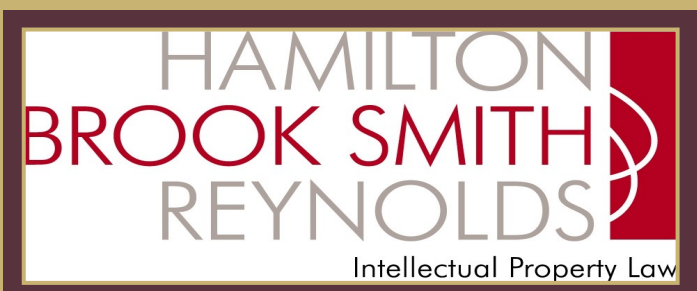
Acquire a practical understanding of the implications of the new Act on patent practice and the establishment and maintenance of patent portfolios.

Learn litigation strategies for successful enforcement and defense tactics.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Anyone involved in managing work pertaining to obtaining and enforcing patent rights, including patent prosecutors and litigators in private practice or in-house at corporations or universities.

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SCHEDULE

- 9:00 Welcome & Introductions**
Professor Andrew Beckerman-Rodau
*Co-Director, Intellectual Property Law Concentration
Suffolk University Law School*
- 9:10 SHIFTING SANDS IN SECTION 101 SUBJECT MATTER**
- *Bilski, Prometheus, Myriad, Classen Immunotherapies, Cyber Source*
 - USPTO Guidelines in view of Bilski
 - Other Pending Cases
- MODERATOR:**
Attorney Mary Murray
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- PANEL:**
Honorable Randall R. Rader, Chief Judge
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- Attorney Paul J. Cronin, Hayes, Bostock & Cronin LLC**
- Professor Dennis Crouch**
*University of Missouri School of Law
Patently-O*
- Attorney N. Scott Pierce**
Hamilton Brook Smith & Reynolds, P.C.
- Raymond Chen, Deputy General Counsel for IP Law and Solicitor**
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- 12:00 Luncheon and Keynote Address**
“Technology Knows No Boundaries”
Judge Randall R. Rader, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- 2:00 THE IMPACT OF PATENT REFORM**
MODERATOR:
Attorney N. Scott Pierce, Hamilton Brook Smith & Reynolds, P.C.
- PANEL:**
Attorney Brian Hanlon
*Director of the Office of Patent Legal Administration
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office*
- Attorney Mary Murray, Hamilton Brook Smith & Reynolds, P.C.**
- 3:30 LITIGATION STRATEGIES FOR THE FUTURE**
MODERATOR:
Professor Eileen M. Herlihy, New England Law | Boston
- PANEL:**
Attorney David J. Brody, Hamilton Brook Smith & Reynolds, P.C.
- Attorney Lee Bromberg, McCarter English, LLP**
- Attorney Barbara Fiacco, Foley Hoag LLP**
- 5:00 CONCLUDE**



EVENING WITH THE HONORABLE RANDALL R. RADER

The night before the conference there will be a dinner sponsored by the

FEDERAL CIRCUIT BAR ASSOCIATION

and Judge Rader will make some brief remarks. The dinner will be from 6-9 p.m.

DINNER AND CONFERENCE: \$299
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MECHANICS OF PATENT LITIGATION
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2012
3:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.

**Featuring Honorable Randall R. Rader
and Honorable William G. Young**

Following the panel will be a networking reception sponsored by IPLSA and JHTL from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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