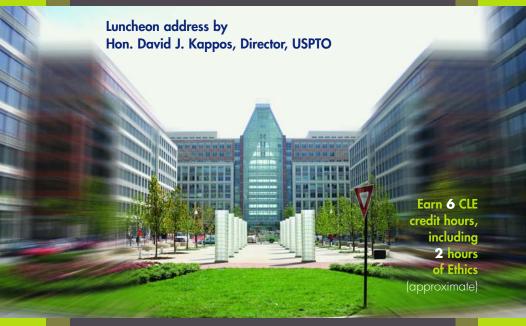


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Schedule of Events

## PTO Day

#### Monday, December 7

7:45AM REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:45AM-10:15AM

**CONCURRENT GENERAL SESSIONS** 

#### PATENT

#### **Quality Initiatives and Measurement**

Margaret "Peggy" Focarino, Deputy Commissioner for Patents USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### **Compact Prosecution**

Aaron Brodsky, Sun Microsystems, Inc., Broomfield, CO Pete G. Pappas, Sutherland Asbill & Brennan LLP, Atlanta, GA

#### **Hidden Problems in PCT Cases**

Richard B. Lazarus, Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Washington, DC

#### TRADEMARK

#### **State of Trademark Office**

Lynne G. Beresford, Commissioner for Trademarks USPTO, Alexandria, VA

Practitioner Pitfalls: Avoiding Common Missteps and Mistakes When Using the USPTO's Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS)

Craig K. Morris, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### Discussion of the Bose Decision on Fraud

Susan J. Hightower, Pirkey Barber LLP, Austin, TX

10:15AM-10:30AM COFFEE BREAK

10:30-11:45AM

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#### PATENT

#### Moderator:

**Stephen G. Kunin,** Oblon, Spivak, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, PC, Alexandria, VA

#### Discussion of Bilski Post U.S. Supreme Court Argument

Raymond T. Chen, Solicitor, USPTO, Alexandria, VA J. Michael Jakes, Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP, Washington, DC

#### **Discussion of Section 101 Examination Instructions**

Andrew Hirshfeld, Acting Associate Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Ankur D. Shah, Freddie Mac, McLean, VA

#### TRADEMARK

#### Trademarks in the Virtual World

Mark Traphagen, Traphagen Law PLLC, Washington, DC

#### **Recent Decisions Affecting Trademark Practice**

J. David Mayberry, Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, Washington, DC

#### Potential Changes to the Madrid Protocol

Sharon Marsh, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

12:00NN -1:30PM

#### LUNCHEON

Address by: Hon. David J. Kappos

Director, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

David Kappos is the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO. Over a twenty-year career, David Kappos has accrued deep knowledge of the patent system. Most recently, he was the vice president and assistant general counsel for intellectual property at IBM. Specifically, Mr. Kappos managed IBM's patent and trademark portfolios – protecting and licensing intellectual property worldwide. Recently, Mr. Kappos has served as Vice President and Member of the Board of Directors of the Intellectual Property Owners Association and served on the IPO Education Foundation Board of Directors

1:45PM-3:15PM

#### **CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### BREAKOUT I

#### USPTO Patent Examining Practice Update – Including Q&A CHEMICAL/BIOTECH

#### Moderator:

Bruce Kisliuk, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### Speakers:

Sharon Gibson, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Gary Jones, USPTO, Alexandria, VA John LeGuyader, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Jacqueline Stone, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Remy Yucel, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### **BREAKOUT II**

#### USPTO Patent Examining Practice Update – Including Q&A MECHANICAL

#### Moderator:

Robert Oberleitner, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### Speakers:

Wynn Coggins, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Donald Hajec, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Fred Schmidt, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Robert Olszewski, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Karen Young, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### BREAKOUT III

#### USPTO Patent Examining Practice Update – Including Q&A ELECTRICAL/COMPUTER/SOFTWARE

#### Moderator:

Andrew Faile, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### Speakers:

John Cabeca, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Jim Dwyer, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Wendy Garber, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Valencia Martin-Wallace, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Wanda Walker, USPTO, Alexandria, VA 1:45PM-3:15PM

**CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS** (cont.)

#### BREAKOUT IV

Examination Practice: Overview of TMEP Changes in the 6th Edition

#### **Recent Examination Guides**

- Examination Procedures for §2(a) and §2(e)(3) Deceptiveness Refusal for Geographic Marks
- Procedures for §2(a) Deceptiveness Refusals for Non-geographic Marks
- Letters of Protest in Pending Trademark Applications

Andrew Benzmiller, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Catherine Cain, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Cynthia Lynch, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Janice O'Lear, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Hope Slonim, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

3:15PM-3:30PM

**COFFEE BREAK** 

3:30PM-5:00PM

**CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS** 

#### **BREAKOUT V**

#### **Post Examination Proceedings**

#### Interferences & Board Update

Hon. Michael R. Fleming, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### Reexamination (Inter Partes/Ex Parte)

Donna M. Meuth, Eisai Pharmaceuticals, Boston, MA Gregory Morse, USPTO, Alexandria, VA Bruce Stoner, Greenblum & Bernstein, PLC, Reston, VA

#### Patent Term Adjustment

J. Eric Thies, Merck & Co., Inc., Rahway, NI

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#### BREAKOUT VI

#### Moderator:

Allison Strickland, Fross Zelnick Lehrman & Zissu, P.C., New York, NY

#### TTAB: Use of Phone Conferences with Interlocutory Attorneys for Discovery and Motions

Jennifer Krisp, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

#### **Probative Value of Third-Party Registrations**

Michael E. Hall, Law Offices of Michael E. Hall, Fairfax, VA Hon. James Walsh, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

**BREAKOUT VII** (Note: This session will end at 5:30PM)

#### Confidentiality and Candor In Practice Before The PTO

Prof. David Hricik, Mercer University School of Law, Macon, GA J. Timothy Meigs, BD Technologies, Research Triangle Park, NC Joseph R. Condo, Woodcock Washburn, LLP, Philadelphia, PA

#### A Review of Recent Cautionary Tales

Harry I. Moatz, USPTO, Alexandria, VA

5:00pm

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