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# 16th Annual Conference on Patent PTO Day

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**PTO Day** brings together experts from the Office and the private bar to discuss current developments.

The one-day program has more than 20 speakers in two general morning sessions and five afternoon breakouts. The luncheon features an address by **Hon. Stephen M. Pinkos**, Deputy Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The breakout sessions are 90 minutes in length, except for the Professional Responsibility breakout, which runs for 2 hours. One of the five breakout sessions will be repeated. Speakers will prepare materials for distribution to participants.

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#### and Trademark Office Law and Practice

Monday, December 5

**PROGRAM** 

7:45<sub>AM</sub>

**COFFEE & REGISTRATION** 

#### 8:45AM-11:45AM CONCURRENT PATENT AND TRADEMARK GENERAL SESSIONS

#### SESSION I: PATENT GENERAL SESSION

#### **Introduction and State of Patent Operations**

 Hon. John J. Doll, Commissioner for Patents, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### Possibilities for Rulemaking on Continuation Applications, Number of Claims, and IDS Practice

Joseph J. Rolla, Jr., Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### Patent Claim Construction After the Federal Circuit's En Banc Decision in Phillips v. AWH Corp.

Paul H. Berghoff, McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert & Berghoff, Chicago, IL

#### 10:15AM-10:30AM COFFEE BREAK

#### **USPTO Policy on Patentable Subject Matter**

 Michael R. Fleming, Chief Administrative Patent Judge, Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### Federal Circuit Opinions Affecting USPTO Patent Practice: Key Cases of the Past Year

 Herbert C. Wamsley, Editor, IPO Daily News<sup>™</sup>, Intellectual Property Owners Association, Washington, DC

#### SESSION II: TRADEMARK GENERAL SESSION

#### **Introduction and State of Trademark Operations**

Hon. Lynne G. Beresford, Commissioner for Trademarks, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### Current Developments in Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Practice

J. David Sams, Chief Administrative Trademark Judge, Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### Confusion in the Law of Likelihood of Confusion

William D. Coston, Venable LLP, Washington, DC

#### 10:15AM-10:30AM COFFEE BREAK

#### **Update on Geographical Indications**

Deborah Lashley-Johnson, Attorney Advisor, Office of International Relations, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

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

Jeffrey M. Samuels, University of Akron School of Law, Akron, OH

### Monday, December 5 PTO Day

NOON -1:30PM

LUNCHEON

Address by:

Hon. Stephen M. Pinkos, Deputy Director

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

1:45PM-3:15PM

#### **CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### **BREAKOUT I**

#### Tips on Filing and Prosecuting Patent Applications

- Robert W. Bahr, Senior Patent Attorney, Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA
- Robert A. Clarke, Senior Legal Adviser, Office of Patent Legal Administration, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### **BREAKOUT II**

#### Tips on Practicing Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

- Allen R. MacDonald, Administrative Patent Judge, Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA
- James T. Moore, Administrative Patent Judge, Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### **BREAKOUT III**

#### **Trademark Dilution Law**

#### TTAB Decisions on Dilution

Gary D. Krugman, Sughrue Mion PLLC, Washington, DC

#### **Current Dilution Legislation**

Jeffrey M. Samuels, University of Akron School of Law, Akron, OH

#### Registry of Famous Marks: Lessons from Abroad

Amy P. Cotton, Attorney Advisor, Office of International Relations, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA 3:30PM-5:00PM

#### **CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

#### REPEAT: BREAKOUT I

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#### **BREAKOUT IV**

#### Tips on Trademark Practice in the USPTO

- Craig K. Morris, Trademark Reengineering Manager, Trademark Electronic Application Systems, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA
- Steven R. Berk, Senior Attorney, Trademark Law Office 108, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

#### BREAKOUT V

#### **Professional Responsibility for Intellectual Property Practitioners**

- Harry I. Moatz, Director, Office of Enrollment and Discipline, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA
- David Hricik, Mercer University, Walter F. George School of Law, Macon, Georgia

3:15PM-3:30AM COFFEE BREAK

ADJOURNMENT (5:30PM for BREAKOUT V)



#### About the Conference

The "PTO Day" conference, now in its sixteenth year, is devoted to U.S. Patent and Trademark Office law and practice. PTO Day provides a mix of private and government presenters on an array of basic, advanced, and late-breaking topics. The conference gives opportunities to attendees to discuss current issues with their peers in a professional setting. Attendance by government and academic personnel is subsidized and encouraged. IPO Education Foundation intends for the conference not only to provide education to individuals but to make a lasting contribution to the state of knowledge of USPTO law and practice by holding the conference each year.

#### About the IPO Education Foundation

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#### Conference Information

#### **Conference Registration**

Advance registration is required. Registrations will be accepted online, or via fax or mail. Please reserve early. Space is limited. IPO Education Foundation will confirm all registrations by email. The program is subject to change. Please visit our web site for additional details

To register online, visit IPO's web site at www.ipo.org/PTODay

**To register by fax**, send your registration and credit card information to **202-466-2893**.

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#### **IPO Education Foundation**

1255 Twenty-Third Street, NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20037

#### Registration Fee (all inclusive)

General Registration \$375

Government/Academic Registration

Registration fee includes a luncheon and meeting materials.

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A full refund will be made if notice of cancellation is received by **November 23, 2005.**Cancellations received after November 23 and before November 30 are subject to a \$100 fee. No refunds will be given for cancellations received on or after November 30. These deadlines for cancellation apply to all registrants.

#### **CLE Credit**

IPO Education Foundation will assist attendees who wish to obtain continuing legal education (CLE) credit. Credit is being requested in every state that has a mandatory CLE requirement in which a registered attendee is licensed. The number of credit hours will vary depending on the requirements of the individual state. The Foundation expects several states will award 6 hours for PTO Day, including 2 hours of ethics and/or professionalism. Some states may not approve these courses for credit.

#### **Conference Location**

Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

\$160

#### **Hotel Information**

Washington, DC 20004

#### The JW Marriott

1331 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20004

Reservations: 800-228-9290 Rate: \$199/single

To be assured of a room at the IPO group rate, you must make your reservation directly with the JW Marriott by **November 14, 2005** and identify yourself as a participant in the Intellectual Property Owners Education Foundation meeting. After November 14, reservations can only be made according to space/rate availability.

USPTO (left) moved its headquarters to Alexandria, VA, in December 2004. The Ronald Reagan Building (right), in Washington, DC, opened its doors in 1998.









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BREAKOUT (Check one session)	1:45	3:30
I. Tips on Filing and Prosecuting Patent Applications		
II. Tips on Practicing Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences		N/A
III. Trademark Dilution Law		A/N
IV. Tips on Trademark Practice in the USPTO	ĕ Z	
V. Professional Responsibility for Intellectual Property Practitioners	∢ Z	

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