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PTO Day brings together experts from the USPTO 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 **The Honorable John Doll**, Commissioner for Patents at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Attorneys in corporations and universities
- Attorneys in private practice
- Attorneys with government agencies
- Law office administrators and paralegals
- Professors and law students

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For those that cannot attend PTO Day in person, the Foundation is offering a live webcast of the Patent and Trademark General Sessions in addition to the luncheon address. The cost is \$250. Pre-registration is required (see page 11 or visit www.ipo.org/pto2007). By registering for the live webcast, you will also have on demand access of the video webcast at any time for up to one year. The webcast is accessible through Microsoft Windows Media Player. In addition to the video, you will also have access to slide presentations on a split screen.

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Program

Monday, December 3

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7:45AM COFFEE & REGISTRATION

8:45AM-10:15AM CONCURRENT GENERAL SESSIONS

PATENT GENERAL SESSION

Introduction and State of Patent Operations

• Margaret (Peggy) Focarino, Deputy Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

Understanding the New Patent Rules on Continuations and Claims

Robert W. Bahr
 U.S. Patent & Trademark Office. Alexandria. VA

Strategies for Operating Under the New Patent Rules on Continuations and Claims

• Stephen G. Kunin Olbon, Spivak, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, P.C. Alexandria, VA

TRADEMARK GENERAL SESSION

Introduction and State of Trademark Operations

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

New Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Rules

Gerard Rogers
 U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

Trade Dress Protection of Product Design

Theodore H. Davis, Jr.
 Kilpatrick Stockton LLP, Atlanta, GA

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10:15AM-10:30AM COFFEE BREAK

10:30–11:45AM CONCURRENT GENERAL SESSIONS continued

PATENT GENERAL SESSION

USPTO Guidelines for Determining Obviousness in View of the Supreme Court Decision in KSR International Co. v. Teleflex Inc.

Kathleen Fonda
 U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

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

Gale R. Peterson
 Cox, Smith & Matthews, San Antonio, TX

TRADEMARK GENERAL SESSION

Legal Developments Relating to Counterfeiting

• USPTO Official
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA

Recent Decisions Affecting Trademark Practice

 John L. Welch Lowrie, Lando and Anastasi, Boston, MA

12:00NN -1:30PM **LUNCHEON**

Current Intellectual Property Rights Developments

Address by: Hon. John J. Doll

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent & Trademark Office Alexandria, VA



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1:45PM-3:15PM CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

- BREAKOUT I (Repeated at 3:30PM)

 Questions and Answers on the Continuations and Claims Rules
- BREAKOUT II Practicing Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
- BREAKOUT III Practicing Before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB)

3:15рм-3:30рм	COFFEE BREAK
3:30рм-5:00рм	CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

- BREAKOUT I (Repeat of 1:45PM Session)
 Questions and Answers on the Continuations and Claims Rules
- BREAKOUT IV Tips on Trademark Practice in the USPTO
- BREAKOUT V (This session will adjourn at 5:30PM)
 Professional Responsibility for Intellectual Property Practitioners

5:00PM ADJOURNMENT

Tuesday, December 4

8:30AM-10:30AM IPO EDUCATION FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

For IPO Education Foundation Board Members

11:00AM-3:00PM IPO BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
For IPO Board Members and Alternates

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About the Luncheon Speaker

John J. Doll is the Commissioner for Patents, responsible for all aspects of the patent granting process for the United States with responsibility for more than 5,000 employees.

Mr. Doll served as Deputy Commissioner for Patent Resources and Planning, and as Special Assistant to Jon Dudas, Director of the USPTO. He joined the Patent and Trademark Office in 1974 as a Patent Examiner and was promoted to Primary Examiner in 1979, reviewing patent applications encompassing pharmaceuticals, herbicides, pesticides, and dyestuffs. As a Supervisory Patent Examiner, he was responsible for applications drawn from a variety of arts, including inorganic chemistry, hydrometallurgy, zeolite catalysts, buckministerfullerenes, proteins, and peptides. In 1995, he became the Director of the group that examines biotechnology patent applications and later served as director of other groups.

Mr. Doll led the development and implementation of section 112, paragraph 1, Enablement Examiner Training Materials. He was a member of the team that developed and implemented the section 101, Utility Guidelines, and the section 112, paragraph 1, Written Description Guidelines, as well as the associated Examiner Training Materials. He was also part of the team that led the implementation of image-based electronic patent applications.

Mr. Doll has received the Department of Commerce Bronze Medal for examination and supervisory accomplishments; a Bronze Medal for his work on the implementation of Patent Application Location and Monitoring (PALM); a Silver Medal for his work on the development of automated examiner office action tools; the Vice Presidential Hammer Award for his work in establishing the Biotechnology Customer Partnership; and a Gold Medal for his work on the Image File Wrapper system.

He received a bachelor of science degree from Bowling Green State University in chemistry and physics, and a master of science degree from The Pennsylvania State University in physical chemistry.



About PTO Day

The "PTO Day" conference, now in its 18th 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.

Registration fees are subsidized for government employees, educators and students. The registration fee will be waived for a limited number of full-time law students, space permitting. Law students should call the Foundation office, 202/466-2396.

The IPO Education Foundation intends for the conference to make a lasting contribution to the state of knowledge of USPTO law and practice. The Foundation seeks to offer education on practical topics that are essential for those who are practicing before the USPTO and working in the USPTO as patent and trademark examiners. The Foundation wants to help ensure that USPTO law and practice is recognized as a technical legal specialty that is an indispensable part of a properly-functioning intellectual property system.

By bringing together top USPTO experts and leading private practitioners, the Foundation endeavors to present high quality education and to promote continuing government-private sector dialogue that will contribute to better protection for intellectual property rights in the U.S.

"The specification and claims of a patent, particularly if the invention be at all complicated, constitute one of the most difficult legal instruments to draw with accuracy."

Justice Henry Billings Brown, U.S. Supreme Court, 1892

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International Judges Conference – In 2005, about 75 internationally recognized judges who decide patent cases met with patent attorneys in corporate and private practice to discuss new issues in intellectual property law around the world. The next International Judges Conference is scheduled for April 19–21, 2009.

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