

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



WELCOME TO NAPP'S 2019 AMC, OUR ANNUAL GATHERING OF THE BEST OF THE BEST. WHEN YOU REGULARLY INTERACT WITH OTHER BRIGHT TALENTED FOLKS, IT'S EASY TO OVERLOOK THE UNIQUENESS OF OUR PROFESSION.

CONSIDER THE POPULATION OF THE UNITED STATES. OUT OF ROUGHLY 330 MILLION PEOPLE, ONLY HALF OF ONE PERCENT ARE ATTORNEYS, COMPARABLE TO THE NUMBER OF DOCTORS. THESE CHALLENGING PROFESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE HIGHEST OF REGARDS. YET THE NUMBER OF PERSONS HAVING THE RIGHT QUALIFICATIONS AND TEMPERAMENT TO BECOME PATENT PROSECUTORS IS BUT A SMALL FRACTION OF THOSE, ABOUT 1% OF 1% (1 PERSON OUT OF EVERY 10,000). OUR PROFESSION IS SO SMALL, SO ELITE, THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE POPULATION HAS NEVER HEARD OF US AND DOESN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT WE DO. SO WHEN WE RUN INTO CHALLENGES, MOST OF US CAN'T JUST CONSULT WITH OUR NEIGHBORS TO GET ANSWERS.

SO WHEN 100 OF US GET TOGETHER IN THE SAME PLACE, IT'S AN EVENT WORTH NOTICING. WE'VE GOT SOME AWESOME TOPICS AND PRESENTERS LINED UP FOR THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM, BUT THE REAL STARS OF THE CONFERENCE ARE YOUR FELLOW ATTENDEES. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO SOME OF YOUR FELLOW ATTENDEES, EXCHANGE CONTACT INFORMATION, AND ASK ABOUT THEIR PRACTICES OR PERHAPS EVEN THEIR THOUGHTS ABOUT THE PROFESSION AND WHERE IT'S HEADED. THESE CONTACTS WILL SERVE YOU WELL.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN STRENGTHENING YOUR PROFESSIONAL NETWORK YEAR ROUND, I CAN'T THINK OF A BETTER WAY TO DO IT THAN VOLUNTEERING FOR A COMMITTEE AND IN DUE COURSE RUNNING FOR A POSITION ON THE NAPP BOARD OF DIRECTORS. OURS IS A SMALL ORGANIZATION AND IT IS SURPRISINGLY EASY TO INCREASE YOUR VISIBILITY AND GAIN RESPECT OF YOUR PEERS BY CONTRIBUTING TO THE GOOD OF THE PROFESSION. REACH OUT TO ME OR ONE OF THE OTHER DIRECTORS IF YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED.

BACK TO THE TOPIC AT HAND – THIS YEAR'S AGENDA HAS EXPANDED TO A FULL THREE DAYS, INCLUDING A CROSSOVER PROGRAM ON MONDAY WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON LAW SCHOOL'S GLOBAL INNOVATION LAW SUMMIT. THERE ARE MORE SPEAKERS, MORE PRESENTATIONS, AND A WHOPPING 16.75 HOURS OF POTENTIAL CLE CREDIT. THE AMC COMMITTEE HAS REALLY OUTDONE ITSELF! WHEN YOU SEE THESE FOLKS, PLEASE BE SURE TO CONGRATULATE THEM ON A JOB WELL DONE.

I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL AROUND THE VENUE. WELCOME TO SEATTLE, AND ENJOY!

WARMEST REGARDS,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dan Krueger". The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue background.

**DAN KRUEGER,
PRESIDENT**



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- Program designed for attorneys and patent practitioners with up to 35 professionals
- Coverage is available in all states
- Comprehensive policy form
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- Available limits up to 10M
- Network Risk & Privacy Claim Coverage
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- Free Retirement/Non-Practicing ERP
- Unlimited ERP Options

Program Benefits:

- Access to two hours of free IP-focused CLE webinars sponsored by **CNA**, which qualifies the firm for up to a 5% premium discount
- Access to industry-leading forms and letters to use in the day to day practice of intellectual property law
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SUNDAY EVENT

TOGA PARTY WITH ENTERTAINMENT,
PIZZA AND (ROOT) BEER.

ALDER HALL, UW

RECEPTION IS FROM 8:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

RECEPTION ON MONDAY

JOIN GILS ATTENDEES AT A RECEPTION BY DORSEY & WHITNEY LAW FIRM, GILS SPONSOR.

BUSES CAN BE BOARDED AT 4:30 PM FOR A TRAVEL TO DORSEY & WHITNEY.

RECEPTION IS FROM 5:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

SOCIAL EVENT ON TUESDAY

EXPERIENCE A BEAUTY OF A CENTER FOR URBAN HORTICULTURE AT A UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON. RECONNECT WITH OLD FRIENDS AND MAKE NEW FRIENDS IN A RELAXED ENVIRONMENT. ENGAGE IN FRIENDLY (OR NOT) YARD GAMES.

BEER, WINE AND HORS D'OEUVRES STARTING AT 6:00 PM

CENTER FOR URBAN HORTICULTURE IS ABOUT A 30 MIN WALK FROM EITHER THE ALDER HALL (DORMS) OR WATERTOWN HOTEL OR A SHORT RIDE.



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CONFERENCE WIFI

UW NETID: EVENT0697

PASSWORD: 89RN-53AD-63TW

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COVERAGE HIGHLIGHTS:

- PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR ATTORNEYS AND PATENT PRACTITIONERS WITH UP TO 35 PROFESSIONALS
- COVERAGE IS AVAILABLE IN ALL STATES
- COMPREHENSIVE POLICY FORM
- COVERAGE FOR DEFENSE OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING OED MATTERS
- PRIOR ACTS COVERAGE
- PRO BONO COVERAGE
- AVAILABLE LIMITS UP TO 10M
- NETWORK RISK & PRIVACY CLAIM COVERAGE
- PRE-CLAIM AND SUBPOENA ASSISTANCE
- FREE RETIREMENT/NON-PRACTICING ERP
- UNLIMITED ERP OPTIONS

PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- ACCESS TO TWO HOURS OF FREE IP-FOCUSED CLE WEBINARS SPONSORED BY CNA, WHICH QUALIFIES THE FIRM FOR UP TO A 5% PREMIUM DISCOUNT
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- EXPERIENCE TEAM OF CLAIM AND RISK CONTROL PROFESSIONALS
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SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY JULY 21, 2019

START TIME	END TIME	SUBJECT(S)	PLACE
6:00 PM	7:30 PM	RECEPTION BY BOEHMERT & BOEHMERT	IVAR'S SALMONHOUSE
8:00 PM	10:00 PM	TOGA PARTY WITH ENTERTAINMENT, PIZZA AND (ROOT) BEER	ALDER HALL, UW

MONDAY JULY 22, 2019

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW, SEATTLE, WA • JOINT PROGRAM WITH UW SCHOOL OF LAW
ROOMS 133 TILL 9:20 AND THEN IN 138 FROM 9:30 TILL 4:00

START TIME	END TIME	SUBJECT(S)	PRESENTERS
7:30 AM	8:00 AM	BREAKFAST 	
8:00 AM	9:20 AM	ANNUAL MEETING STATE OF NAPP AFFAIRS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS, BOD CANDIDATE PRESENTATION AND VOTING	DAN KRUEGER, RAMEY & SCHWALLER, LLP NAPP PRESIDENT
9:30 AM	9:45 AM	OPENING WELCOME AND REMARKS	ROBERT W. GOMULKIEWICZ, UW FOUNDATION PROFESSOR OF LAW
9:45 AM	10:45 AM	PATENT ELIGIBILITY IN THE U.S. AND ASIA	ROBERT STOLL (MODERATOR), DRINKER BIDDLE & REATH LLP, SECTION 101
10:45 AM	11:00 AM	NETWORKING BREAK	
11:00 AM	12:00 PM	ENFORCEMENT OF IP	STEVE CHO (MODERATOR), AMPACC; JUDGE TATSUBUMI SATO, PRESIDING JUDGE, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY DIVISION, TOKYO DISTRICT COURT. JACOB (SIYUE) ZHANG, LUNG TIN IP AGENT LTD (CHINA)
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	LUNCH	
1:00 PM	2:00PM	WORLDWIDE DOCTRINE OF EQUIVALENTS	MARTIN ADELMAN, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW; HEINZ GODDAR, BOEHMERT & BOEHMERT
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	IN THE "WEEDS" - PATENT FILING STRATEGIES AND TACTICS FOR APPLYING FOR PATENTS IN ASIA	LOUIS HOFFMAN, HOFFMAN PATENT LAW FIRM
3:00 PM	3:15 PM	NETWORKING BREAK	
3:15 PM	4:15 PM	GOING DEEPER IN THE "WEEDS" - HELPING INVENTORS FROM ASIA FILE PATENT APPLICATIONS IN THE U.S.	KIMTON ENG, DORSEY & WHITNEY LLC; WILLIAM LAMARCA, SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR IP LITIGATION, OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR, U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE; MATTHEW MA, DORSEY & WHITNEY LLC
4:30 PM	5:30 PM	TRAVEL FROM UW LAW TO DORSEY & WHITNEY LAW FIRM (PROVIDED)	
5:30 PM	7:30 PM	RECEPTION AT DORSEY & WHITNEY, LLP	
EVENING		DINNER ON YOUR OWN	

TUESDAY JULY 23, 2019

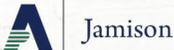
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW, SEATTLE, WA • ROOM 133

START TIME	END TIME	SUBJECT(S)	PRESENTERS
7:30 AM	4:00 PM	REGISTRATION	
7:30 AM	8:15 AM	BREAKFAST 	
8:15 AM	8:30 AM	OPENING REMARKS	ALEX POKOT - AP PATENTS, 2019 AMC CHAIR
8:30 AM	9:30 AM	112 CASE LAW REVIEW	NAPP MEMBERS: PROF MARTIN ADELMAN, THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, WILLIAM LAMARCA, USPTO

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY JULY 23, 2019

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW, SEATTLE, WA • ROOM 133

START TIME	END TIME	SUBJECT(S)	PRESENTERS
9:30 AM	10:15 AM	102 CASE LAW REVIEW	NAPP MEMBERS: PROF MARTIN ADELMAN, THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, WILLIAM LAMARCA, USPTO
10:15 AM	10:30 PM	BREAK 	
10:30 AM	12:15 PM	103 CASE LAW REVIEW	NAPP MEMBERS: PROF MARTIN ADELMAN, THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, WILLIAM LAMARCA, USPTO
12:15 PM	1:45 PM	LUNCH 	
1:45 PM	3:15 PM	DESIGN ISSUES – CASE LAW REVIEW AND PRACTICAL ISSUES	CHRIS CARANI, MCANDREWS HELD & MALOY
3:15 PM	3:45 PM	USING PEDS TO GET PATENTS FASTER	MARK NOWOTARSKI, MARKETS, PATENTS & ALLIANCES L.L.C., NAPP MEMBER
3:45 PM	4:15 PM	BROADEST REASONABLE INTERPRETATION (BRI) FOR UNREASONABLE PATENT CLIMATE	MARK SCOTT, DICKINSON WRIGHT, PLLC
4:15 PM	4:50 PM	SO, IS A BEACH IN CABO STILL A PLACE TO WRITE PATENT APPLICATIONS?	MARK SCOTT, DICKINSON WRIGHT, PLLC
6:00 PM	7:00 PM	WOMEN OF NAPP WORKSHOP ON MICRO-AGGRESSION AND HURDLES THAT WOMEN FACE IN IP PROFESSION (FOLLOWED BY SOCIAL EVENT) • \$50.00 (FREE TO AMC PARTICIPANTS)	CENTER FOR URBAN HORTICULTURE, UW BOTANICAL GARDENS
6:00 PM	10:00 PM	SOCIAL EVENT 	CENTER FOR URBAN HORTICULTURE, UW BOTANICAL GARDENS

WEDNESDAY JULY 24, 2019

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW, SEATTLE, WA • ROOM 133

START TIME	END TIME	SUBJECT(S)	PRESENTERS
7:30 AM	8:15 AM	BREAKFAST 	
8:15 AM	8:30 AM	OPENING REMARKS	ALEX POKOT - AP PATENTS, 2019 AMC CHAIR
8:30 AM	9:15 AM	RESTRICTION PRACTICE	ERIC HARWOOD, SEED IP
9:15 AM	10:15 AM	PATENTABILITY AND FREEDOM TO OPERATE OPINIONS	DAVID SHELDON, COJK
10:15 AM	10:30 AM	BREAK 	
10:30 AM	11:30 AM	START-UP IP COUNSELING-FROM SEED TO EXIT	PRIYA CLOUTIER, CLOUTIER ARNOLD ORTEGA, NAPP DIRECTOR
11:30 AM	12:15 PM	IP INSURANCE	CURTIS DROEGE, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INSURANCE SERVICES CORP, NAPP MEMBER
12:15 PM	1:30 PM	LUNCH 	
1:30 PM	2:15 PM	IP OF CANNABINOIDS	KARL HERMANN, SEED IP
2:15 PM	3:15 PM	ETHICS IN IP	TOM WONG, MICROSOFT CORPORATION JOHN WHITAKER, COJK
3:15 PM	4:00 PM	INTERNET OF THINGS	PROFESSOR CRISTOPHER TUROSKI, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL, NAPP MEMBER
4:00PM	4:45 PM	FIXING SILLY MISTAKES	KERRY CULPEPPER, CULPEPPER IP, LLC, NAPP MEMBER
4:45 PM	5:00 PM	CLOSING REMARKS	ALEX POKOT - AP PATENTS, 2019 AMC CHAIR



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



MARTIN J. ADELMAN

BEFORE JOINING THE GW LAW FACULTY IN 1999, MARTIN J. ADELMAN HAD BEEN A PROFESSOR OF LAW AT WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL SPECIALIZING IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND ANTITRUST LAW. BEFORE JOINING THE WAYNE STATE FACULTY IN 1973, HE PRACTICED AS A PATENT ATTORNEY IN THE DETROIT AREA FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

DURING THAT PERIOD, HE SERVED AS LEAD COUNSEL IN SEVERAL PATENT INFRINGEMENT ACTIONS INCLUDING ACTING AS LEAD COUNSEL FOR MOTOR CITY IS THE KOLENE V. MOTOR CITY LITIGATION. THE CURRENT FOCUS OF HIS TEACHING AND SCHOLARSHIP IS IN THE FIELD OF PATENT LAW. HE HAS WRITTEN MANY LAW REVIEW ARTICLES ON PATENT LAW, THE ECONOMICS OF PATENT LAW AND PATENT-ANTITRUST LAW.

FROM 1977 TO 1988 HE WAS ONE OF THE CO-AUTHORS, AND CURRENTLY IS THE SOLE AUTHOR, OF THE CONTINUOUSLY UPDATED NINE VOLUME TREATISES ON PATENT LAW ENTITLED PATENT LAW PERSPECTIVES (MATTHEW BENDER) AND AVAILABLE ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH LEXIS. HE IS A CO-AUTHOR OF CASES AND MATERIALS ON PATENT LAW, THIRD EDITION (WEST 1998, 2003, 2009) AND ADELMAN, RADER, AND KLANGNIK'S PATENT LAW IN A NUTSHELL (NUTSHELL SERIES) (WEST 2008). HE HAS TESTIFIED EITHER BY DEPOSITION OR AT TRIAL AS AN EXPERT IN PATENT LAW AND PRACTICE IN ABOUT 190 PATENT INFRINGEMENT CASES.

HE HAS LECTURED WIDELY ON PATENT LAW SUBJECTS AT CONFERENCES ACROSS THE UNITED STATES AND IN AMMAN, BEIJING, BANGALORE, BANGKOK, BERLIN, BHOPAL, BONN, BUCHAREST, BUENOS AIRES, BRUSSELS, CAIRO, CALCUTTA, EDINBURGH, HAIFA, HONG KONG, KHARAGPUR, MAASTRICHT, MUMBAI, MUNICH, NEW DELHI, OSAKA, PARIS, PARMA, PHUKET, PUNE, RIO DE JANEIRO, SHENZHEN, SOFIA, STOCKHOLM, TAIPEI, TEL AVIV, TOKYO, TRIESTE, TRIVANDRUM, UTRECHT, AND WUHAN



CHRISTOPHER V. CARANI, ESQ.

MR. CARANI IS A PARTNER AT THE CHICAGO-BASED IP LAW FIRM OF MCANDREWS, HELD & MALLOY, LTD. PRACTICING IN ALL AREA OF IP. HE IS WIDELY RECOGNIZED AS A LEADING AUTHORITY IN THE FIELD OF DESIGN LAW, HAVING LITIGATED, PROSECUTED, PUBLISHED AND LECTURED IN THE FIELD FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS. CHRIS IS THE CURRENT CHAIR OF THE AIPPI COMMITTEE ON DESIGNS, AND PAST CHAIR OF BOTH AIPLA AND ABA DESIGN RIGHTS COMMITTEES. IN 2017, IAM MAGAZINE INCLUDED CHRIS IN ITS IAM PATENT 1000 REFERRING TO HIM AS ONE OF THE NATION'S "PRE-EMINENT DESIGN LAW EXPERTS." CHRIS IS ON FACULTY AT NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW AS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR TEACHING IP LAW & POLICY AND AT CHICAGO-KENT COLLEGE OF LAW TEACHING DESIGN LAW. HIS NEW BOOK, ENTITLED "DESIGN RIGHTS: FUNCTIONALITY AND SCOPE OF PROTECTION," WAS PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER OF 2017 BY WOLTERS KLUWER N.V. HE SERVES ON THE ADVISORY DESIGN COUNCIL FOR THE SCHOOL OF THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO AND IS AN AMBASSADOR MEMBER OF THE INDUSTRIAL DESIGNER'S SOCIETY OF AMERICA. PRIOR TO JOINING MCANDREWS, CHRIS SERVED AS A LAW CLERK TO THE HONORABLE REBECCA R. PALLMEYER AT THE U.S. DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS. CHRIS EARNED HIS J.D. FROM UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO AND A B.S. IN ENGINEERING FROM MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY.



PRIYA SINHA CLOUTIER

FOUNDER OF CLOUTIER GLOBAL, PRIYA, FOCUSES HER PRACTICE ON THE PROCUREMENT AND ENFORCEMENT OF DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL PATENTS, TRADEMARKS AND COPYRIGHTS. HER EXPERIENCE INCLUDES VARIOUS TECHNICAL AREAS SUCH AS AEROSPACE, HYBRID AND ELECTRICAL ENGINES/MOTORS, ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION, MEDICAL DEVICES, AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND ENERGY SYSTEMS. PRIYA DEVOTES MUCH OF HER TIME TO MANAGING AND COORDINATING GLOBAL PATENT PORTFOLIOS OF VARIOUS CLIENTS, BOTH DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL COMPANIES, INCLUDING THE PREPARATION AND PROSECUTION OF PATENT APPLICATIONS BEFORE THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE. SHE ALSO COUNSELS CLIENTS IN AVOIDING INFRINGEMENT OF PATENTS OF OTHERS AND FREQUENTLY OPINES WITH REGARD TO THE INFRINGEMENT AND/OR VALIDITY OF INDIVIDUAL PATENTS, OR ADVISES AS TO A STRATEGY FOR AVOIDING THE PATENT PORTFOLIOS OF OTHERS. PRIYA HAS BEEN A WASHINGTON SUPER LAWYER, IN THE FIELD OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, SINCE 2013.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



KERRY CULPEPPER

KERRY CULPEPPER IS THE PRINCIPAL OF CULPEPPER IP, LLLC IN KAILUA KONA, HAWAII. HIS PRACTICE INCLUDES INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CIVIL LITIGATION AND PATENT AND TRADEMARK PROSECUTION. HE HAS OVER 20 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE INCLUDING AS A PATENT EXAMINER, AN IN-HOUSE ATTORNEY OF LARGE JAPANESE CORPORATIONS, AND PARTNER AT A PATENT BOUTIQUE FIRM. KERRY RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF CIVIL ENGINEERING WITH HONOR FROM GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, HIS MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING FROM GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY AND HIS JD FROM GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY. HE IS ADMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW IN HAWAII, VIRGINIA AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AS WELL AS BEFORE THE USPTO. IN HIS FREE TIME, HE ENJOYS OCEAN SWIMMING.



CURTIS DROEGE

CURTIS DROEGE IS A MECHANICAL ENGINEER WITH OVER 20 YEARS' EXPERIENCE, A PATENT AGENT WITH OVER 15 YEARS' EXPERIENCE, AND AN INVENTOR ON 25 US PATENTS AND APPLICATIONS.

HIS ENGINEERING EXPERTISE INCLUDES MECHANICAL, MICRO-ELECTRONICS, MICRO-FLUIDICS, SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING, AND NANO-TECHNOLOGY, SPECIALIZING IN INKJET PRINTING TECHNOLOGY.

CURTIS HELD THE POSITION OF WORLDWIDE PATENT MANAGER FOR LEXMARK INTERNATIONAL FROM 2009 TO 2012, HAVING RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEVELOPING A HIGH-VALUE PATENT PORTFOLIO FOR LEXMARK'S INKJET AND LASER PRINTER PRODUCTS. IN THIS ROLE, HE DEVELOPED FOUR TEAMS CONSISTING OF 80 OF THE TOP ENGINEERS TO GUIDE THE PATENT STRATEGY, COACH INVENTORS, AND EVALUATE INVENTION DISCLOSURES.

MOST RECENTLY, CURTIS HELD THE ROLE OF VICE PRESIDENT AND SENIOR UNDERWRITER FOR THE WORLD'S LEADING PATENT INSURANCE FIRM, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INSURANCE SERVICES (IPISC) LOCATED IN LOUISVILLE, KY. THIS ROLE PROVIDED INSIGHTS INTO THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RISKS OF HUNDREDS OF COMPANIES FROM PRE-REVENUE TO \$1B, COVERING MANY DIFFERENT TECHNOLOGIES.

CURTIS RECENTLY LAUNCHED INVENTION GARAGE, IN WHICH HE PROVIDES INVENTION COACHING VIA ONLINE CHANNELS SUCH AS INVENTIONGARAGE.COM, YOUTUBE, AND FACEBOOK.



ERIC A. HARWOOD, PH.D.

ERIC HARWOOD SPECIALIZES IN CHEMICAL, PHARMACEUTICAL AND LIFE SCIENCE PATENT PROSECUTION, STRATEGY AND DILIGENCE MATTERS. ERIC EARNED A B.S. IN CHEMISTRY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT DAVIS (SUMMA CUM LAUDE), AND M.S. AND PH.D. DEGREES IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IN SEATTLE. HE RECEIVED A J.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW.



KARL R. HERMANN'S

KARL R. HERMANN'S SPECIALIZES IN PHARMACEUTICAL AND BIOTECHNOLOGY PATENT MATTERS, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT OF PATENT PORTFOLIOS, EARLY STAGE COMPANY COUNSELING, INVESTMENT DUE DILIGENCE, AND COMPETITIVE PATENT ANALYSIS. HE GRADUATED WITH BOTH A B.S. AND AN M.S. IN CHEMISTRY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND RECEIVED HIS J.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO SCHOOL OF LAW.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



WILLIAM LAMARCA

WILLIAM LAMARCA - BILL REPRESENTS THE UNITED STATES PTO IN IP AND OTHER RELATED FEDERAL COURT LITIGATION. PRIMARILY INCLUDES ARGUING APPEALS AT THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS, DISTRICT COURT TRIAL WORK IN §§ 145 & 1071(B) ACTIONS AND DEFENDING THE AGENCY IN OTHER FEDERAL SUITS THROUGHOUT THE NATION. BILL HAS BEEN LEAD OR CO-COUNSEL ON OVER 100 APPEALS AND HANDLED A WIDE ARRAY OF CIVIL SUITS IN DISTRICT COURTS. SUBSTANTIVELY, BILL HAS LITIGATED A SPECTRUM OF ISSUES SPANNING SPECIFIC PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT QUESTIONS TO QUESTIONS OF JURISDICTION, PROCEDURE, ADMIN LAW, AND CASES FOCUSED IN SPECIALIZED AREAS (E.G., REEXAM, REISSUE, IPR/PGR PROCEEDINGS, PATENT TERM EXTENSION & ADJUSTMENT). BILL ALSO PERIODICALLY WORKS WITH THE SG'S OFFICE, DOJ CIVIL APPELLATE AND OTHER EXECUTIVE COMPONENTS TO ASSIST IN BRIEFING IP ISSUES BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT AND VARIOUS CIRCUIT APPEALS COURTS. FURTHER, BILL WAS APPOINTED SPECIAL ASSISTANT US ATTORNEY WITH THE DC US ATTORNEY'S OFFICE (CIVIL DIV) TO DEFEND THE AGENCY IN PATENT SUITS AND ALSO SERVED ON ROTATION WITH THE CRIMINAL DIVISION WHERE HE WAS LEAD PROSECUTOR ON OVER TWENTY CRIMINAL BENCH TRIALS. BEYOND LITIGATION, BILL ADVISES THE AGENCY ON DOMESTIC AND INT'L IP MATTERS. PREVIOUSLY, BILL WAS IN PRIVATE PRACTICE CONCENTRATING IN IP LITIGATION, PROSECUTION AND COUNSELING, AND ALSO SERVED SEVERAL YEARS AS AN EXAMINER. BILL HAS A TECHNICAL BACKGROUND IN MECHANICAL & ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND WORKED IN THE AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY AS AN EXPERIMENTAL FLIGHT TEST/DESIGN ENGINEER. TEACHING: ADJUNCT PROFESSOR OF LAW, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER, WASHINGTON DC (2014-PRES); GUEST LECTURER IN PATENT LAW, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON LAW SCHOOL-CASRIP INSTITUTE, SEATTLE WA (2008-PRESENT). ADMITTED: VIRGINIA, MARYLAND, OHIO, US SUPREME COURT, CAFC, EDVA, PTO REGISTRATION, LICENSED AS A PE. MILITARY SERVICE: U.S. NAVAL OFFICER (RESERVE EDD) (1993-2018). INTERESTS: GOLF AND CLASSIC AUTO RESTORATION.



MARK NOWATARSKI

MARK IS AN INVENTOR ON 17 US PATENTS. HE WAS APPOINTED CORPORATE RESEARCH FELLOW FOR THE COMMERCIAL IMPACT OF HIS INVENTIONS. MARK HAS A MASTER'S DEGREE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING FROM STANFORD AND A BACHELOR'S DEGREE WITH HONORS IN AEROSPACE, MECHANICAL SCIENCES AND ENGINEERING PHYSICS FROM PRINCETON. HIS ACADEMIC AWARDS INCLUDE THE SIGMA XI AWARD FOR MOST OUTSTANDING MECHANICAL ENGINEERING RESEARCH AND THE UNION CARBIDE AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND LEADERSHIP IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING, ALSO AT PRINCETON.



ROBERT L. STOLL

ROBERT STOLL IS A PARTNER ON THE PATENT TEAM AT DRINKER BIDDLE & REATH LLP AND CO-CHAIR OF THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY GROUP. IN 2018 HE WAS ELECTED TO THE AIPLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM. IN OCTOBER OF 2013 HE WAS APPOINTED BY CHIEF JUDGE RADER TO A THREE-YEAR TERM ON THE CAFC ADVISORY COUNCIL AND WAS REAPPOINTED FOR ANOTHER THREE-YEAR TERM IN 2016 BY CHIEF JUDGE SHARON PROST. BOB RETIRED FROM THE USPTO AS COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AT THE END OF 2011 AFTER A DISTINGUISHED 34-YEAR GOVERNMENT CAREER. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE PASSAGE OF LANDMARK PATENT LEGISLATION, THE AMERICA INVENTS ACT, AND LAUDED FOR HIS EFFORTS TO REDUCE PATENT PENDENCY AND IMPROVE PATENT QUALITY. BOB SERVED AS A PATENT EXAMINER AT THE USPTO FROM 1982 TO 1990. HE THEN ASSUMED THE POSITION OF SUPERVISORY PATENT EXAMINER FROM 1990 TO 1994. IN THIS POSITION, BOB SUPERVISED AN ART UNIT OF APPROXIMATELY 15 PATENT EXAMINERS, REVIEWING AND SIGNING THE ACTIONS OF THE NON-PRIMARY EXAMINERS AND MONITORING THE WORK OF THE PRIMARY EXAMINERS. IN 1994 BOB WAS PROMOTED TO EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS. AFTER A SERIES OF FURTHER PROMOTIONS, BOB WAS APPOINTED COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS IN 2009 BY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE GARY LOCKE. HAVING RISEN FROM THE RANK OF EXAMINER TO LEAD AN ORGANIZATION OF ABOUT 8,000 EMPLOYEES, HE HAS SPENT HIS CAREER IMPROVING THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SYSTEM. HE FOCUSED ON EDUCATING THE PUBLIC, APPLICANTS, CORPORATIONS AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS ON THE CRITICALITY OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TO ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOB CREATION AND STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF A COMPREHENSIVE UNDERSTANDING OF THE COMPLEX INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAWS TO BEST USE THE SYSTEM TO PROTECT AN INVENTION. HAVING LED THE PTO'S LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS, THE INTERNATIONAL GROUP, THE TRAINING ACADEMY AND THE ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVE, BOB HAS A DEEP UNDERSTANDING OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW. HE DEVELOPED AND DELIVERED PROGRAMS WORLDWIDE TO EDUCATE FOREIGN OFFICIALS AND THE PUBLIC. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND ANALYSIS OF LEGISLATION CONCERNING ALL AREAS OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND WAS ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S LEADERS IN ESTABLISHING THE US GOVERNMENT'S POSITIONS ON INTERNATIONAL ISSUES RELATED TO INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. HE ALSO HELPED DEVELOP AND PLAN USPTO STRATEGIC GOALS, OBJECTIVES AND PRIORITIES, AND SERVED AS A LIAISON WITH PATENT AND TRADEMARK BAR GROUPS AND ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITIES.



MARK E. SCOTT

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER TURNED PATENT ATTORNEY; MARK E. SCOTT IS A MEMBER PARTNER AT THE DICKINSON WRIGHT SAUSTIN OFFICE. MARK ASSISTS BUSINESSES THAT PRODUCE INNOVATIVE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES WITH SECURING A COMPETITIVE EDGE IN THE MARKETPLACE, PROTECTING THE FRUITS OF INNOVATION, AND MONETIZING CREATIONS. MARK WORKS WITH CLIENTS TO OBTAIN THE PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS TO PROTECT AND BRAND PRODUCTS AND SERVICES. MARK IS A TEXAS SUPER LAWYER (2014 - PRESENT) AND WAS LISTED AS ONE OF THE 2016 AND 2018 IP STARS BY MANAGING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY MAGAZINE.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER M. TUROSKI

PROFESSOR CHRISTOPHER M. TUROSKI IS THE DIRECTOR OF PATENT LAW PROGRAMS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL. TUROSKI BRINGS TWO DECADES OF PROGRESSIVE, REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE TO LEAD THE J.D., M.S.C. AND LL.M IN PATENT LAW PROGRAMS. IN THIS ROLE, HE MAKES CERTAIN BOTH THE PROGRAMS AND THE STUDENTS ARE PREPARED TO EXCEL IN THE MODERN BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT.

PREVIOUSLY, TUROSKI HELD A SERIES OF EXECUTIVE-LEVEL POSITIONS AT CARGILL, INC. AS A VICE PRESIDENT AT CARGILL ANIMAL NUTRITION TECHNOLOGIES, HE LED ALL INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ASPECTS OF A MULTIBILLION-EURO ACQUISITION OF THE COMPANY'S PRIMARY COMPETITOR. AS SECRETARY AND COUNSEL FOR FORMAT SOLUTIONS, A CARGILL SUBSIDIARY, HE LED A WORLDWIDE MULTIMILLION-DOLLAR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND SOFTWARE LICENSING PROGRAM. HE ALSO SERVED AS MANAGING SENIOR COUNSEL AT CARGILL, LEADING A GLOBAL TEAM OF LAWYERS AND PROFESSIONALS.

TUROSKI SERVED ON THE ADJUNCT FACULTY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS SCHOOL OF LAW. HE BEGAN HIS LEGAL CAREER COUNSELING ON COMPLEX BUSINESS ISSUES AT FOLEY & LARDNER, AN INTERNATIONAL LAW FIRM. HE GRADUATED MAGNA CUM LAUDE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL, WHERE HE SERVED ON THE MINNESOTA LAW REVIEW. HE EARNED HIS B.S. IN CHEMISTRY MAGNA CUM LAUDE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN OSHKOSH. HIS VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE INCLUDES SERVING AS SECRETARY AND GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE EPILEPSY FOUNDATION OF MINNESOTA.



JOHN WHITAKER

JOHN WHITAKER COUNSELS CLIENTS ON TECHNOLOGY PROTECTION AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, INCLUDING PATENTS, COPYRIGHTS, TRADEMARKS, AND TRADE SECRETS. HE ROUTINELY REPRESENTS TECHNOLOGY CLIENTS IN THE SOFTWARE, COMPUTER, MEDICAL DEVICE, AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRIES, AND HE ALSO HELPS ARTISTS AND AUTHORS TO PROTECT THEIR ORIGINAL WORKS. JOHN'S TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE INCLUDES WORK IN MACHINE LEARNING AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI), AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES, CRYPTOGRAPHY AND STEGANOGRAPHY, NETWORK COMMUNICATIONS AND SECURITY, ONLINE ADVERTISING, OPERATING SYSTEMS AND PRODUCTIVITY SOFTWARE, MEDICAL DEVICES, AND MORE. JOHN HAS REPRESENTED CLIENTS AT THE U.S. PATENT OFFICE AND IN FEDERAL COURTS AROUND THE COUNTRY, ASSISTING THEM IN ENFORCING AND DEFENDING THEIR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS.

PRIOR TO JOINING COJK, JOHN WORKED AT VARIOUS PROMINENT LAW FIRMS, INCLUDING MERCHANT & GOULD P.C. AND JONES & ASKEW, LLP. JOHN HAS SERVED AS A JUDGE ADVOCATE IN THE U.S. ARMY RESERVE SINCE 2009, PROVIDING LEGAL SERVICES TO ELIGIBLE MILITARY PERSONNEL AT VARIOUS MILITARY FACILITIES AROUND THE WORLD, INCLUDING SEATTLE AREA-BASED JOINT BASE LEWIS MCCORD. BEFORE BECOMING AN ATTORNEY, JOHN WAS A SOFTWARE ENGINEER WORKING ON THE NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE EFFORT. SPECIFICALLY, JOHN WAS INVOLVED IN STRATEGIC DEFENSE INITIATIVE PROJECTS SUCH AS GROUND-BASED RADAR, GROUND-BASED SURVEILLANCE AND TRACKING, AND ANTISATELLITE PROGRAMS.



THOMAS WONG

I STARTED AT MICROSOFT IN 2004 AS AN IN-HOUSE PREP AND PROS PATENT ATTORNEY IN THE PATENT GROUP. IN THAT ROLE, I DRAFTED PATENT APPLICATIONS AND OFFICE ACTION RESPONSES. IN 2006, I MOVED TO THE IP LICENSING TEAM AS A SENIOR LICENSING EXECUTIVE, WHERE I DEVELOPED AND MANAGED REVENUE-GENERATING LICENSING DEALS AND PROGRAMS INVOLVING MICROSOFT TECHNOLOGIES AND PATENTS. I ALSO WORKED WITH PRODUCT GROUPS TO DEVELOP OUTBOUND IP LICENSING STRATEGIES. AFTER ABOUT TWO YEARS, I MOVED BACK TO THE PATENT GROUP AND TOOK A PATENT ATTORNEY POSITION IN THE PATENT COUNSELING TEAM. IN THAT ROLE, I SERVED AS THE PATENT ATTORNEY FOR VARIOUS PRODUCT TEAMS IN THE OFFICE PRODUCT GROUP (OPG) WHERE MY RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDED DEVELOPING AND MANAGING PATENT PORTFOLIOS ON PRODUCTIVITY AND CLOUD COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES, MANAGING OUTSIDE COUNSEL, HANDLING PATENT CONFLICT MATTERS, AND PROVIDING IP COUNSELING TO PRODUCT GROUP CLIENTS. IN 2015, I BECAME THE LEAD ATTORNEY OF THE OPG PORTFOLIO DEVELOPMENT TEAM WHERE I AM RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING A TEAM OF PATENT ATTORNEYS WHO BUILD, DEVELOP, MANAGE AND UTILIZE PATENT PORTFOLIOS ASSOCIATED WITH OPG

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS



DAVID P. SHELDON

DAVID SHELDON SERVES AS HEAD OF COJK'S PATENT PRACTICE GROUP. HIS STRONG BACKGROUND IN COMPUTER SCIENCE AND TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING HELP HIM ASSIST HIS SOFTWARE INDUSTRY CLIENTS WITH PATENT DRAFTING, PROSECUTION, AND COUNSELING. DAVID'S TECHNICAL EXPERTISE INCLUDES TECHNOLOGIES SUCH AS CONTROL SYSTEMS, ENCRYPTION, WIRELESS COMMUNICATION, INFORMATION SEARCH AND RETRIEVAL, COMPILER OPTIMIZATION, AND SOCIAL NETWORKING PLATFORMS. DAVID ALSO ADVISES HIS CLIENTS ON OTHER VITAL ISSUES RELATING TO SOFTWARE PRODUCTS, INCLUDING OPEN SOURCE LICENSING AND DEVELOPING COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIES FOR PROTECTION OF SOFTWARE USING COPYRIGHT, TRADEMARKS, DESIGN PATENTS, AND TRADE SECRETS TO SUPPLEMENT UTILITY PATENT PROTECTION. DAVID'S PATENT PROSECUTION EXPERIENCE INCLUDES A WIDE VARIETY OF OTHER TECHNICAL FIELDS AS WELL, SUCH AS MEDICAL AND MECHANICAL DEVICES/ PROCESSES.

DAVID CURRENTLY SERVES AS CHAIR OF THE COMMUNITY EDUCATION COMMITTEE FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE PATENT LAW ASSOCIATION. HE IS RECOGNIZED IN THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA FOR HIS WORK IN PATENT LAW. PRIOR TO JOINING COJK, DAVID WORKED IN VARIOUS COMPUTING-RELATED ROLES, INCLUDING DESIGNING AND CODING SOFTWARE TESTING UTILITIES FOR MICROSOFT.



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2019 CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR



LISA ADELSON

COMPANY: CROWELL & MORING LLP

PRACTITIONER TYPE: ATTORNEY

TOTAL YEARS IN PRACTICE: 17

DESCRIBE YOUR PREVIOUS INVOLVEMENT WITH NAPP

(EXAMPLES: COMMITTEE WORK, VOLUNTEER WORK, INVOLVEMENT WITH NAPP PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES):

AMC COMMITTEE CHAIR 2017 MEETING, BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2016-2019, BOARD VP 2018-2019

DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSIONS OF NAPP:

NAPP IS AN ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO FURTHERING THE OBJECTIVES OF THOSE WHO DO PATENT PROSECUTION. NAPP IS A SMALL AND COLLEGIAL ORGANIZATION.

WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A NAPP DIRECTOR (WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL OBJECTIVES?):

I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO ASSIST NAPP IN SUPPORTING THE EXPERIENCES OF PATENT PRACTITIONERS, INCLUDING AGENTS AND ATTORNEYS FROM SOLO AND SMALL PRACTICES. IN MY CURRENT ROLE WITH THE BOARD, I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN IMPLEMENTING A NEW HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM THAT WILL SOON BE AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS. I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE THIS WORK, AND ADDITIONALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO ASSIST NAPP WITH ITS ONGOING EFFORTS TO GROW ITS MEMBERSHIP.

BIO: IS A COUNSEL WITH THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY GROUP IN CROWELL & MORING LLP'S WASHINGTON, D.C. OFFICE. LISA IS A SEASONED PATENT PRACTITIONER WITH NUMEROUS YEARS OF EXPERIENCE REPRESENTING BIOTECHNOLOGY, PHARMACEUTICAL, AND DESIGN PATENT CLIENTS IN ALL ASPECTS OF PROSECUTION AND COUNSELING.

LISA HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE MANAGING PATENT PORTFOLIOS AND CONDUCTING ANALYSES RELATED TO MAJOR DUE DILIGENCE AND PATENT LITIGATION MATTERS. LISA HAS REPRESENTED CLIENTS BEFORE THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE, THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD (FORMERLY THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES), AND THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT.

BEFORE JOINING CROWELL & MORING, LISA SPENT MANY YEARS AS A PATENT ATTORNEY AT A LEADING AMLAW 100 FIRM IN WASHINGTON, D.C. IN THAT ROLE, LISA ASSISTED IN A WIDE ARRAY OF BIOTECHNOLOGY AND PHARMACEUTICAL CLIENTS WITH THEIR PATENT-RELATED NEEDS, INCLUDING PREPARATION,

PROSECUTION, COUNSELING, LITIGATION, DUE DILIGENCE, AND RELATED REGULATORY WORK. LISA ALSO HAS SIGNIFICANT EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF DESIGN PATENT LAW, HAVING PRACTICED ALONGSIDE ONE OF THE PIONEERS IN THIS FIELD AT A WASHINGTON-AREA BOUTIQUE.

LISA EARNED HER J.D. FROM GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL AND HER B.A., MAGNA CUM LAUDE, IN CHEMISTRY FROM COLGATE UNIVERSITY, WHERE SHE WAS A COLGATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI MEMORIAL SCHOLAR, A DANA SCHOLAR, AND A LIFETIME MEMBER AND PRESIDENT OF PHI ETA SIGMA HONOR SOCIETY. SHE ALSO RECEIVED THE DEAN'S AWARD FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE. ADDITIONALLY, LISA HAS RECEIVED THE BAUSCH AND LOMB SCIENCE PRIZE, AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY AWARD, AND HARVARD BOOK AWARD. BEFORE ATTENDING LAW SCHOOL, LISA WORKED AT THE LABORATORY BENCH AT THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES, NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH, IN BETHESDA, MD, WHERE SHE STUDIED PATHOGENIC FUNGI.

LISA IS A STRATEGIC THINKER WHO HAS REPRESENTED INDIVIDUAL AND MULTINATIONAL CLIENTS AT ALL PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT. SHE IS A FREQUENT LECTURER ON CURRENT TOPICS IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW AND HAS PUBLISHED VARIOUS ARTICLES IN THE FIELD OF PATENT LAW.

LISA HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH NAPP SINCE 2013, WHEN SHE WAS INVITED TO SPEAK ABOUT DESIGN PATENTS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE. LISA WAS ELECTED TO THE NAPP BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN JULY 2016 AND HAS SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF THE NAPP BOARD SINCE JULY 2018.



2019 CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR



TOM BASSOLINO

COMPANY: BASS PATENT LAW, LLC

PRACTITIONER TYPE: ATTORNEY

TOTAL YEARS IN PRACTICE: 10

DESCRIBE YOUR PREVIOUS INVOLVEMENT WITH NAPP

(EXAMPLES: COMMITTEE WORK, VOLUNTEER WORK, INVOLVEMENT WITH NAPP PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES):

AMC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBER 2018 & 2019; AMC PRESENTER 2018; AMC ATTENDEE 2014-PRESENT; MODERATOR FOR NAPP FORUM

DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSIONS OF NAPP:

NAPP IS BY FAR MY FAVORITE BAR/TRADE ASSOCIATION OF WHICH I AM A MEMBER. THE FOCUS ON PATENT PROSECUTION IS UNLIKE MOST ORGANIZATIONS, AND THE COLLEGIALLY IS UNBEATABLE.

WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A NAPP DIRECTOR (WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL OBJECTIVES?):

FIRST AND FOREMOST, TO GROW NAPP BY PROMOTING ALL OF THE GREAT THINGS THAT DISTINGUISH US FROM THE CROWD. I ALSO THINK I WOULD PROVIDE A FRESH PERSPECTIVE FOR THE BOARD -- I AM NO SPRING CHICKEN, BUT AT 37 I THINK I BRING A SOMEWHAT FRESH TAKE TO NAPP AND PATENT PRACTICE GENERALLY

BIO: TOM BASSOLINO IS A PATENT ATTORNEY SPECIALIZING IN PATENT PREPARATION AND PROSECUTION. TOM'S PRACTICE INCLUDES DRAFTING, FILING, AND PROSECUTING U.S., PCT, NATIONAL STAGE, AND INTERNATIONAL PATENT APPLICATIONS. TOM WORKS WITH INVENTORS, REVIEWS INVENTION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS, AND INVESTIGATES NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENTS AND DESIGN-AROUND OPPORTUNITIES WITH ENTREPRENEURS, ENGINEERS, AND OTHER TECHNICAL STAFF.

TOM HAS WORKED WITH INDIVIDUAL INVENTORS AND FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES ALIKE LOCATED THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND WORLDWIDE. TOM'S EXPERIENCE INCLUDES PREPARING AND PROSECUTING PATENTS RELATED TO THE MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ARTS INCLUDING THREEDIMENSIONAL PRINTING SYSTEMS, GREEN ENERGY SYSTEMS, SPORTS TRAINING AND EXERCISE EQUIPMENT, PUMPS, DRILLING EQUIPMENT, RAZORS, STATIONERY PRODUCTS, LIGHTERS, COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE SYSTEMS, DATA NETWORKS, SOFTWARE, AND BUSINESS METHODS. TOM ALSO HAS SIGNIFICANT EXPERIENCE PREPARING AND PROSECUTING MEDICAL DEVICE PATENTS INCLUDING ORTHOPEDIC DEVICES, MRI SYSTEMS, ULTRASOUND SCANNING SYSTEMS, FLEXIBLE STENTS, DRUG DELIVERY DEVICES, AND NOVEL CANCER-FIGHTING SYSTEMS.

TOM FOUNDED HIS OWN LAW FIRM, BASS PATENT LAW, LLC, IN 2018. PRIOR TO HIS WORK AT BASS PATENT LAW, TOM WORKED FOR SEVERAL BOUTIQUE LAW FIRMS, AND HE SPENT THE FIRST FIVE YEARS OF HIS LEGAL CAREER AT THE NEW YORK CITY OFFICE OF JONES DAY, ONE OF THE LARGEST LAW FIRMS IN THE WORLD. BEFORE BECOMING AN ATTORNEY, TOM WAS A MECHANICAL ENGINEER IN NEW YORK CITY, SPECIALIZING IN THE DESIGN OF PLUMBING AND FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS FOR HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS.

TOM'S LARGE LAW FIRM FOUNDATION (A/K/A "BIGLAW"), BOUTIQUE LAW FIRM EXPERIENCE, AND PREVIOUS ENGINEERING CAREER PROVIDE HIM WITH A UNIQUE PERSPECTIVE IN UNDERSTANDING THE BUSINESS GOALS AS WELL AS THE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF HIS CLIENTS' INVENTIONS. THIS BROAD RANGE OF EXPERIENCE COULD ALSO BE AN ASSET TO AN ORGANIZATION LIKE NAPP.



2019 CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR



JOHN T. DAVIS

COMPANY: THE LAW OFFICE OF JOHN T DAVIS

PRACTITIONER TYPE: ATTORNEY

TOTAL YEARS IN PRACTICE: 7

DESCRIBE YOUR PREVIOUS INVOLVEMENT WITH NAPP

(EXAMPLES: COMMITTEE WORK, VOLUNTEER WORK, INVOLVEMENT WITH NAPP PROGRAMS/ACTIVITIES):

SINCE JOINING NAPP, I HAVE VOLUNTEERED WITH THE MEMBER BENEFITS COMMITTEE, PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE, AND LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. IN PARTICULAR, I WORKED WITH DAN BEINART AND CARIE MAGER ON THE MEMBER BENEFITS COMMITTEE TO EVALUATE MULTIPLE CANDIDATE SOFTWARE PLATFORMS FOR THE NEW NAPP FORUMS AND HAVE ASSISTED WITH SETUP, TROUBLESHOOTING, AND MODERATION SINCE THE TRANSITION. I AM ALSO PRESENTLY HELPING COLLATE ARTICLES FOR THE "OVERHEARD ON THE FORUMS" SERIES OF POSTS ON THE NAPP BLOG. ON THE MEMBER BENEFITS COMMITTEE, I HAVE ASSISTED WITH EVENT PLANNING AND OUTREACH EFFORTS, AND THROUGH THE LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO DRAFTING MENTOR/MENTEE CONTRACT FOR THE SOON-TO-LAUNCH MENTORSHIP PROGRAM.

DESCRIBE YOUR IMPRESSIONS OF NAPP:

NAPP REMAINS WITHOUT QUESTION THE MOST VALUABLE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION I PARTICIPATE IN. THE DEPTH AND BREADTH OF THE MEMBERS' KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE LEGAL AND PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF PATENT PROSECUTION PRACTICE IN MATCHED ONLY BY THE MEMBERSHIP'S ACCESSIBILITY AND EAGERNESS TO ASSIST ON THE FORUMS. WHILE I HAVE BEEN AN ATTORNEY SINCE 2011, I ONLY BEGAN PRACTICING PATENT PROSECUTION IN OCTOBER 2016. THE ADVICE AND MENTORSHIP OF THE NAPP COMMUNITY HAS BEEN INVALUABLE TO MY PRACTICE AND GROWTH OVER THE LAST TWO AND-A-HALF YEARS, AND I DO NOT HESITATE TO RECOMMEND NAPP MEMBERSHIP TO OTHERS. I FEEL MEMBERSHIP IS MOST ADVANTAGEOUS TO NEWLY LICENSED PRACTITIONERS IN NEED OF AN APPROACHABLE SOURCE OF TRUSTWORTHY ADVICE AND GUIDANCE THAT THEY LIKELY OTHERWISE CANNOT ACCESS.

WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE AS A NAPP DIRECTOR (WHAT ARE YOUR PERSONAL OBJECTIVES?):

IF ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, I HOPE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE NEW AVENUES OF GROWING MEMBERSHIP AMONG LAW STUDENTS AND RECENTLY LICENSED PRACTITIONERS. I BELIEVE FINDING NEW WAYS TO APPROACH STUDENTS CONSIDERING A CAREER IN PATENT PROSECUTION AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO BOTH NAPP AND THE STUDENTS' PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT. IN PARTICULAR, I AM INTERESTED IN EXPLORING FACILITATING STUDENT INTERNSHIPS THROUGH NAPP. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO HELP WITH MAKING MORE ONLINE STATEACCREDITED CLE AVAILABLE (E.G., VIDEO RECORDINGS OF THE NAPP ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE).

BIO: JOHN T. DAVIS IS A REGISTERED U.S. PATENT ATTORNEY. HIS PRACTICE FOCUSES ON PREPARATION, FILING, AND PROSECUTION OF PATENT APPLICATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES AND THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. HE HAS EXPERIENCE IN LITIGATION, PROCUREMENT, LICENSING, AND ENFORCEMENT OF PATENTS, TRADEMARKS, COPYRIGHTS, AND OTHER TYPES OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY. HE HAS ALSO PRACTICED IN VARIED AND DIVERSE AREAS OF CIVIL LITIGATION; REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS; BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND DISPUTES; AND ESTATE PLANNING AND PROBATE.

MR. DAVIS HAS WORKED WITH A VARIETY OF CLIENTS INCLUDING INDIVIDUALS, SMALL BUSINESSES, AND FORTUNE 500 CORPORATIONS, COLLABORATING WITH BOTH INVENTORS AND IN-HOUSE COUNSEL. HIS EXPERIENCE INCLUDES DIVERSE AREAS OF TECHNOLOGY INVOLVING HYDROPONICS; FITNESS PRODUCTS AND DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT; CONSUMER AND INDUSTRIAL SAFETY EQUIPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND TOOLS; CRYPTOCURRENCY, RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION AND APPLICATION; SOFTWARE, OPERATING SYSTEMS, NETWORKING, AND HARDWARE. RECENT PROJECTS INCLUDE PATENT PROSECUTION IN THE AREAS OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE; COMPUTER VISION; IMAGE ANALYSIS; E-COMMERCE; CLOUD COMPUTING; PROCESS CONTROLS AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT; NEXT-GENERATION TELECOMMUNICATIONS; AEROSPACE ENGINEERING; AND ON-DEMAND MULTIMEDIA CONTENT DELIVERY.

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