

WSBA IP Section
Executive Committee Meeting Agenda
06/10/2025

- BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING:

Rodney Tullett (RT) (Past Chair); Connie Wan (CW) (Chair); ; Jim Vana (Secretary-Treasurer); Greg Plichta (GP); Baha Obeidat (BO).

- A. YOUNG LAWYER LIAISON: Heather Hedeem
- B. SECTION LIAISON: Carolyn MacGregor (CM)
- C. BOG LIAISONS: Alain Villeneuve
- D. WSBA CLE LIAISON: Sally Romero (SR)

- CALL TO ORDER: _____ 4:05 PM

QUORUM: YES

- REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MAYMINUTES

Motion: Connie

Second: Greg

Vote: all in favor

Abstention:

Nay:

Motion: passed

- THINGS TO BE DECIDED AND WORKED ON

- A. ELECTIONS AND APPOINT: DO WE HAVE ANY VACANCY?

Nominee:

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

Motion:

Discussion:

- SCHOLARSHIPS

We have 15K in the budget to give as scholarships for local law schools. The student awardees will be invited to attend the IP Institute.

- University of Washington: done
- Seattle University: done
- Gonzaga University: done

Discussion: Gonzaga is not taking part this year; hasn't identified a candidate

- A. PRO-BONO PROGRAM UPDATE

Update: Seattle U is hosting the program. We have seven applications. DWT and Perkins Coie Pro Bono Programs. Seven applications now assigned; volunteers are working with the inventors.

B. JOINT MEETING WITH OTHER SECTIONS: CORPORATE COUNSEL SECTION, INTERNATIONAL PRACTICE SECTION, INN OF COURT

Discussion:

C. CLE UPDATES:

IP Mini CLE

- i. Chairs: Connie, Elizabeth
- ii. Date:
 - March 27, 2025: noon-1
 - Topic: IP dispute on Amazon (Part I: Taking down)
 - June 26, 2025: noon-1
 - Topic: Domain name disputes (Jen, Focal Law)
 - September 25, 2025: noon-1
 - Topic: IP dispute on Amazon (Part II: Being shaken down, ??)
- iii. Format: Virtual lunchtime CLE

Discussion: We decide to offer this CLE events as a series of three mini-CLE event. The CLE will be offered at the last Thursday of each quarter as lunch time mini-CLEs. The CLE will be free to IP section members and will be \$35 for the non-IP section members. Connie asked for volunteers or recommendations.

28th Annual IP Institute

- i. Chairs: Rodney, Connie, Syed
- ii. Date: April 24, 2025 (Thursday)
- iii. Format: Reception with networking component on April 23, 2025 (Wednesday)

Discussion: DONE.

IP Licensing CLE

- i. Chairs: Jim, Sunah
- ii. Date: Oct. 1, 2025
- iii. Format: Remote only

Discussion: Jim and Sunah will discuss content and speakers.

CLE Timely Topics '25

- i. Chairs: Connie, Rodney
- ii. Date:
 - a. Dec. 4, 2024: done
 - b. Feb. 12, 2025: Done
 - c. TBD, 2025 (8:30-10:30am PT) IP licensing/transaction (TBD)
- iii. Format: Remote

Discussion: This CLE is now offered as three 2-hr CLE events.

D. Benefit to the section members

- i. mini-CLE series: free to the IP members, \$35 for non-members
- ii. Mentorship Program: Greg, Heather
- iii. Networking events
 - [Washington State Bar Association \(WSBA\) - IP Section](#)
 - Link: [Mentorship Opportunities](#)
 - [Washington State Patent Law Association \(WSPLA\)](#)

- Link: [Washington State Patent Law Association – Mentoring Committee and Form](#)
- [American Intellectual Property Law Association \(AIPLA\)](#)
 - Link: [Mentoring Committees](#)
- [Washington Inn of Court](#)
 - Link: [Mentorship opportunity](#)
- [King County Bar Association \(KCBA\)](#)
 - No current IP mentoring but [other areas](#)
- [Chiefs in Intellectual Property \(ChIPs\)](#)
 - Networking related, not direct mentoring
- [Licensing Executives Society \(LES\)](#)
 - Networking related, no direct mentoring
- [Intellectual Property Owners \(IPO\) Association](#)
 - Networking related, no direct mentoring
- [Washington Intellectual Property Alliance](#)
 - Networking related, no direct mentoring
- [Intellectual Property Business Counsel \(IPBC\)](#)
 - Networking related, no direct mentoring
- [Washington Lawyers for the Arts \(WLA\)](#)
 - Pro Bono related

- **Discussion:**

- WSBA LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

A. Chair: Elizabeth Breakstone

Discussion:

- ADJOURN: 4:24