

Meeting of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and The International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys

Agenda

May 23, 2019 ♦ 0900-1200

Location: USPTO Headquarters; Alexandria, VA; Madison West, 10D31

9:00 **FICPI Opening Remarks**

9:05 **Welcome**

Andrei Iancu, Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO

9:10 **Introductions**

Drew Hirshfeld, Commissioner for Patents

Patents and the Office of Policy and International Affairs (OPIA)

Mark Powell, Deputy Commissioner for International Patent Cooperation

Bob Bahr, Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy

Charlie Pearson, Director IPLA

Charles Eloshway, Senior Patent Counsel

Mary Critharis, Senior Patent Counsel

- Patent Law Harmonization
- Unity of Invention
- PCT National Phase Requirements
- Online Filing
- Issuance of IP Office Guidelines
- Subject Matter Eligibility

Design Topics

Brian Hanlon, Director of the Office of Patent Legal Administration (OPLA)

Brandon Rosati, Technology Center 2900 Operations Manager

Karen Kearney, Supervisor Patent Examiner, TC2900

Mary Critharis, Senior Patent Counsel

David Gerk, Patent Attorney

- Assessing priority of Design Applications
- Protection for GUIs, Icons, Projected Designs, Virtual Reality Designs, and Augmented Reality Designs

9:55 **--15 minute break-- (optional)**

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10:10 Trademarks

Mary Denison, Commissioner for Trademarks

Sharon Marsh, Deputy Commissioners for Trademarks

Meryl Hershkowitz, Deputy Commissioners for Trademarks

- Slogan Marks
- Letters of Consent
- Adequate Response Times for Applicants
- Online Filing
- Issuance of IP Office Guidelines

10:55 --15 minute break--

11:10 Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB)

Scott Weidenfeller, Vice Chief Judge

Jackie Bonilla, Deputy Chief Judge

- Various procedural developments

12:00 Closing



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