

APPROVED (OCTOBER 12, 2017)

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

**Intellectual Property Law Section
Council Meeting
Thursday, September 7, 2017, 9:30 am
In Person, Lansing MI**

1. **Meeting was called to order** by Hope Shovein at 9:34am.
2. **Attendance:** Hope Shovein, Kendra Mattison, Beth Coakley (late), Tom Appledorn, Kim Berger, Aaron Wong, Mary Margaret O'Donnell, Dan Aleksynas, Angela Caligiuri (left early), Matt Kendall, Mike Lisi, Jeff Kirkey (ICLE), Barbara Concannon (ICLE). Absent: Colin Cicotte.

Minutes Approval: Minutes of August 10, 2017 prepared by Beth Coakley were presented and reviewed: Hope Shovein moved to approve the minutes and Kendra Mattison seconded, all in favor, the August 10, 2017 minutes were approved.

3. **Reports:**

- A. **Financial Report:** No financial update was provided at this time as Beth Coakley was absent during this early portion of the meeting but later very briefly reported there were no changes in the financial status other than usual requests for reimbursements.
- B. **IPLS Proceedings:** Dan Aleksynas reported that there were no updates or new issues to report on IPLS Proceedings. Publications were going out as expected.

4. **Continuing Business:**

Patent Pro Bono Project. It was noted that David Berry would be attending the USPTO Patent Pro Bono Program on Innovation in East Lansing, Michigan on September 23, 2017 and pursuant to the Consent Agenda, all expenses associated with his travels were approved for reimbursement. Several new appointments for volunteer pro bono attorneys will also be made at a similar event by AIPLA in Washington DC to be held on October 26, 2017.

5. **Old Business:**

- October 3 Seminar - Basic Trademark and Patent Practice for Lawyers and Paralegals. As of the date of this meeting, Jeff Kirkey of ICLE reported that there were 45 people signed-up to attend the above seminar of which 15 did not report a State Bar license and it was therefor assumed these attendees were not attorneys. The

seminar was considered by all to be a “good value” since the total cost to attend was \$35 which included lunch.

- There was further discussion by Hope Shovein about the reception held on July 13, 2017 to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the Elijah J. McCoy Midwest Regional USPTO office which was jointly hosted by IPLS and the IP Inns of Court at the Detroit Yacht Club, in Detroit, Michigan. A larger number of attendees participated in this event than originally anticipated and budgeted for by the IPLS Committee and as a result, there were certain nominal additional costs. The IPLS Committee previously approved costs of \$2,500.00 for this event (which represented half of the overall anticipated costs to be shared with IP Inns of Court) and Hope Shovein moved to approve the additional costs of \$548 for a total cost of \$3,048 and Tom Appledorn seconded with the Committee unanimously approving total costs of \$3,048 for this event.

6. New Business

A. Planning for Upcoming CLE Events:

- Spring Seminar – Monday, March 19, 2018 (Crowne Plaza Lansing West)
- IP Law Institute – Thursday, October 25 - Friday, October 26, 2018 (Dearborn Inn)

Jeff Kirkey and Barbara Concannon from ICLE provided draft schedules for each of the above scheduled programs and reported that the March 19, 2017 program must be finalized by October 16, 2017.

The Committee and ICLE representatives had extensive and lengthy confidential discussions for 1.75 hours about the various possible subjects to be presented and proposed speakers for each subject and delegated tasks associated with procuring and confirming speakers. It was confirmed by Beth Coakley that John U. Bacon would be the luncheon speaker at the Spring Seminar and that she had secured his services in this regard at the cost of \$5,000 which had been pre-approved by a unanimous Committee during a previous IPLS meeting.

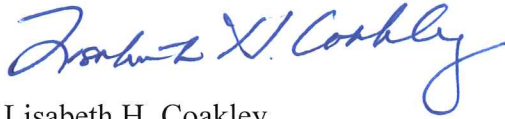
7. Future Meeting Dates:

- A. October 12, 2017 (teleconference)
- B. November 9, 2017 (teleconference)
- C. December 7, 2017 (teleconference)
- D. January 11, 2018 (teleconference)
- E. February 8, 2018 (teleconference)
- F. April 12, 2018 (teleconference)
- G. June 7, 2018 (teleconference)

It was noted that **a business meeting will** also be conducted and **be added to the list of future meetings on March 19, 2018** during the IPLS Spring Seminar to be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Lansing, Michigan.

On motion made by Hope Shovein and seconded by Kendra Mattison, the meeting was adjourned at 11:28am.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lisabeth H. Coakley", written in a cursive style.

Lisabeth H. Coakley

Secretary IPLS

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