Minutes of the
Intellectual Property Law Section Council Meeting
December 14, 2011

Teleconference
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1. Attendance

Present: David Wisz, Anna Budde, Adam Strauss, Kristen Isaacson Spano, Kevin MacKenzie, Karl Ondersma, David Berry,

Absent: Joellen Shortley Blaszczak, Amanda Conti-Duhaime, Kendra Mattison, Kristin Murphy, Stephanie Stenberg of the Institute of Continuing Legal Education (ICLE), Deanna Vollano (ICLE)

2. Call to order

Chair David Wisz called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Future Meeting Dates
January 18, 2012 – 9:30 a.m., via teleconference
February: TBD

3. Minutes Approval

Motion: by Anna Budde to approve the minutes of November 16, 2011. Seconded by Karl Ondersma. Approved unanimously.

4. Reports

A. Treasurer's Report

David Wisz and Adam Strauss did not receive a statement of the account. Adam has inquired about this issue with the SBM.

B. Proceedings

David Berry reported that the issue of *Proceedings* has been sent to the printer and it should be in the mail in December. The Council expressed appreciation to David for overseeing it.

David Berry reported that the next issue of *Proceedings* is likely to include a writing competition entry and case statistics from the E.D. Mich. and W.D. Mich.

C. Writing Competition

David Berry reported that announcements have been started for the writing competition, but that we need to coordinate with someone from the State Bar on announcements as well. There is an

announcement in *Proceedings*. David will e-mail law school writing professors about the competition.

D. ICLE report on Fall Seminar Dates

ICLE was not present on the call, so the Council will follow-up with ICLE in January to discuss the date and costs of the Fall Seminar.

Continuing Business

A. 2012 Summer Seminar on July 19-21, 2012

Anna Budde reported that we have most sponsorships secured. There is one slot open for the Thursday evening reception and one for the Friday evening reception.

There is confusion about how ICLE bills for the Summer Seminar and how it applies sponsorships secured by the Council. Specifically, Anna explained that ICLE retains any excess of sponsorships for receptions for one night, and does not apply them to deficits relating to costs of receptions on other nights. Adam Strauss will organize a call to discuss this issue with ICLE.

B. Fall 2012 IP Seminar

The Council agreed that the fall seminar will feature two speakers on patent law in the morning session, and two speakers on trademark law in the afternoon session with a lunch in between.

Speakers will be from the Section, and presentations should focus on practical topics.

Dave Wisz will work to identify a trademark prosecution paralegal to present.

Anna Budde will work to identify a patent prosecution attorney and a patent litigator to present.

Kristen Isaacson Spano will work to identify a trademark litigator to present.

C. 2012 Spring Seminar

Karl Ondersma reported that we have an invitation to the BSA to present on cloud computing. Stephanie Stenberg is following up with the BSA.

Formal Adjournment

Motion: by Karl Ondersma to adjourn. Seconded by Kristen Isaacson Spano. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m.