



PATENT MASTERS™ SYMPOSIUM

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Program Agenda*

Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018	
8:30am to 9:00am	Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:00am to 9:15am	Gene Quinn: Welcome & Introductions
Session #1 9:15am to 10:00am	Chief Judge Paul Michel (CAFC, ret.) Patent System Update: (1) Where we are now and what to watch for in the future; (2) The latest on the Supreme Court and Federal Circuit; and (3) An overview of Legislative proposals on Capitol Hill.
10:00am to 10:15am	Break
Session #2 10:15am to 11:15am	Phil Johnson Senior VP of IP, Johnson & Johnson (ret.) Patent Law & Policy: A history of the America Invents Act – How we got it, and how it could have been much worse.
11:15am to 11:30pm	Break
Session #3 11:30am to 12:30pm	Bob Stoll, partner, Drinker Biddle Former Commissioner for Patents, USPTO Patent Office Update: (1) What is happening at the PTO; (2) PTO Initiatives and Rules Proposals; (3) PTO memoranda and Federal Register Notices.
12:30pm to 1:30pm	Lunch – Speaker and Topic TBA

* With the exception of lunch speakers, the entire faculty is confirmed for the *Patent Masters™* symposium scheduled for October 23-24, 2018. The Agenda is subject to change slightly in order to accommodate late breaking industry news of significance requiring consideration.

Session #4 1:30pm to 2:30pm	Russ Slifer, Principle, Schwegman Former Deputy Director, USPTO PTAB Update: (1) Understanding the PTAB today; (2) Latest (and likely) Rules Packages; and (3) Ways to improve the PTAB.
2:30pm to 2:45pm	Break
Session #5 2:45pm to 3:45pm	Meredith Addy, Partner, Tabet DiVito & Rothstein Patent Eligibility at the Federal Circuit 2014-2018: Where the courts went wrong, the damage done, and the long road to recovery.
3:45pm to 4:00pm	Break
Session #6 4:00pm to 5:00pm	Todd Dickinson, Partner, Polsinelli Former Director, USPTO Capitol Hill: (1) Identifying the Key Players in the 116 th Congress: who they are, what they support; and (2) Breaking down patent legislative proposals.
5:00pm to 6:30pm 7:00pm to 9:00pm	Reception (Wine & Hors d'oeuvres) Dinner @ TBA

Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2018	
8:30am to 9:00am	Continental Breakfast
Session #7 9:00am to 10:00am	Patent Masters™ SCOTUS Roundtable** Moderated by Gene Quinn United States Supreme Court: A discussion of key Supreme Court patent cases 2010 to present, with

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	emphasis on the current term, recent cases, and those involving divided infringement and damages.
10:00am to 10:15am	Break
Session #8 10:15am to 11:15am	Patent Masters™ CAFC Roundtable Moderated by Gene Quinn Federal Circuit Review: A discussion of recent Federal Circuit cases of importance.
11:15am to 11:30am	Break
Session #9 11:30am to 12:30pm	Patent Masters™ Exhaustion Roundtable Moderated by Gene Quinn A discussion of Supreme Court and Federal Circuit cases relating to patent exhaustion and cross-border enforcement of patent rights.
12:30pm to 1:30pm	Lunch – Speaker and Topic TBA
Session #10 1:30pm to 2:30pm	Patent Masters™ PTAB Roundtable Moderated by Gene Quinn Federal Circuit – Important decisions re: PTAB. Patent Trial and Appeal Board Review – Key decisions and developments.
2:30pm to 2:45pm	Break
Session #11 2:45pm to 3:45pm	Patent Masters™ Rapid Fire Roundtable Moderated by Gene Quinn Filling in the gaps: Rapid fire analysis by the faculty. We will cover as many topics as possible that have not already been covered and will be soliciting input from those in attendance.

3:45pm to 4:00pm	Break
Session #12 4:00pm to 5:00pm	Patent Masters™ Roundtable Moderated by Gene Quinn Proposals for a better U.S. patent system: What is desirable? What is feasible? Why?

Faculty

The **Honorable Paul Redmond Michel** was appointed to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in March of 1988 by President Ronald Reagan. On May 31, 2010, Chief Judge Michel stepped down from the bench after serving more than 22 years on the court. In his years on the bench, Judge Michel judged thousands of appeals and wrote over 800 opinions, approximately one-third of which were in patent cases. Judge Michel continues to be a forceful advocate for a strong patent system and testifies regularly on Capitol Hill.

Todd Dickinson is a senior partner with Polsinelli, is a former Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Todd has also been Chief IP Counsel for two Fortune 50 companies, with management responsibility for all IP, including management of extensive patent and trademark portfolios. Most recently, Todd served as the Executive Director of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), which is one of the world's leading policy and advocacy organizations in the field of intellectual property, where he played a key role in the drafting and passage of the America Invents Act and the subsequent PTO rules. Todd has been recognized by *IAM Magazine* as one of the *World's Leading IP Strategists (2016)* and was inducted into the *IP Hall of Fame* in 2012. He has been recognized as one of the *50 Most Influential People in IP* by *Managing Intellectual Property* numerous times.

Russell Slifer is a principal of Schwegman Lundberg & Woessner. Russ served as the Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the USPTO during the Obama Administration. As Deputy Director, Russ managed all of the day-to-day operations of the USPTO. He was also the first Director of the Rocky Mountain Region Patent Office prior to his appointment as Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce, serving as the agency's primary liaison with the innovation community in the Rocky Mountain Region. Before joining the USPTO, Russ practiced law for years, with his last position prior to his government service being Chief Patent Counsel for Micron Technology.

Bob Stoll is co-chair of Drinker Biddle's Intellectual Property Practice Group. Bob retired from the USPTO as Commissioner for Patents at the end of 2011 after a distinguished 34-year government career. Bob advises on post-grant procedures before the USPTO and engages in policy work on patent issues. Bob regularly testifies as an expert on patent practice and represents other attorneys and firms before the Office of Enrollment and Discipline at the USPTO.

Phil Johnson is formerly senior vice president and chief IP counsel at Johnson & Johnson after serving nearly two decades in various leadership roles for the multi-national corporation. Prior to joining Johnson & Johnson as Chief Patent Counsel, he was a well-respected patent litigator for nearly three decades. Johnson played a key role in both the drafting and passage of the America Invents Act and was subsequently appointed a member of a six-person committee formed by the director of the USPTO to make recommendations on regulations to implement the *inter partes* review and post grant review proceedings. Johnson has served numerous industry organizations during his career, including as president of the Intellectual Property Owners Association, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the AIPLA. He was inducted into the *IP Hall of Fame* in 2017.

Meredith “Mimi” Addy is an experienced intellectual property litigator, business strategist, and consultant. She has handled more than 30 cases before trial courts and argued more than 40 appeals to the Federal Circuit. She has held leadership positions at several AmLaw100 firms and is a recipient of many awards and honors. Addy is partner at litigation boutique Tabet DiVito & Rothstein in Chicago, and she also consults to executive teams on the most efficient strategies for realizing their IP goals. Addy has testified before Congress to address issues relating to the Federal Circuit and the state of patent law. She has been a member of the Federal Circuit’s Advisory Council and a member of the board of directors of the Federal Circuit Bar Association. Addy is also a founder of the Richard Linn American Inn of Court, which is directed to intellectual property, and served as its first president. Addy has also been recognized as one of the most influential women in IP law by Law360.

Gene Quinn is a patent attorney and a leading commentator on patent law and innovation policy. He is the Founder and Publisher of IPWatchdog.com. IPWatchdog.com has been recognized multiple times by the American Bar Association as a top 100 legal blog, multiple times as the top IP blog, and in 2014 was inducted into the *ABA Blawg Hall of Fame*. Gene has twice (2017 & 2018) been recognized by *IAM Magazine* as one of the top IP strategists in the world. He has also been recognized by *Managing Intellectual Property* as one of the 50 Most Influential People in IP (2014). Regarded as an expert on software patentability and U.S. patent procedure, Gene’s particular specialty is in the area of strategic patent consultancy, portfolio building, and patent prosecution strategies.