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## CincyIP Newsletter

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### CincyIP 2013 Year in Review

This past year, CincyIP saw a lot of great speakers, interesting topics, and opportunities to continue growing and developing. Although our primary mission is to provide educational events for our members, we also strive to reach out to the Cincinnati community in an effort to educate others about what we do and what interests us. While our programs this past year dealt with their fair share of patent, trademark, and copyright issues, we also had presentations surrounding issues in social media, computer security, contests and sweepstakes, and technology transfer.



Cindy (Bolden) Neal

In addition to our monthly programs, CincyIP held a number of other events in 2013, including the fourth annual CincyBIO and the most-attended ever Judges' Dinner. These events brought in a number of speakers from outside Cincinnati, demonstrating our IP community's commitment to the profession as well as our ability to draw national experts into our events. We also partnered with other organizations to sponsor other events that benefited our members, including AIAIOIP and NKU's Security Symposium.

We have just started planning for 2014, and have slated programs on IP Due Diligence, the Top 3 Issues in Patent Law in 2014, and Cyber Crime for the first quarter. Next year will also see our inaugural Branding Conference in April. If you're interested in joining the Programming Committee, the Branding Conference Steering Committee, or want to simply suggest a topic or speaker (or volunteer to speak!), please contact me at [cynthia.neal@dmunns.com](mailto:cynthia.neal@dmunns.com). We always look forward to new ideas, new speakers, and new committee members!

I hope you've enjoyed the last year of programming as much as I have, and I hope we continue to provide interesting quality IP-related programming to you in 2014. Thank you for your continued support of our organization!

Cindy (Bolden) Neal  
Chair - CincyIP Programming Committee

### October's Judges' Dinner a Success

On October 8, 2013, CincyIP held its annual Judges' Dinner in downtown Cincinnati at McCormick and Schmick's. The event was the most well-attended Judges' Dinner in CincyIP history with several area judges attending the event, including Judge Thomas M. Rose, Chief Judge Susan J. Dlott, Judge Sandra S. Beckwith and Magistrate Judge Stephanie K. Bowman. CincyIP recognized the efforts and years of services by members Geoff Oshaus of Dinmore & Shohl, Tom Ryan of International Paper, and Kelly McDow of Procter & Gamble. Steven Miller of Procter & Gamble introduced The Honorable Chief Judge James F. Holderman, United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois as the featured speaker of the evening.



From left: Thomas M. Rose, District Judge; Susan J. Dlott, Chief Judge; James F. Holderman, District Judge; Sandra S. Beckwith, Senior District Judge; Stephanie K. Bowman, Magistrate Judge

As a Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Judge Holderman presides over one of the busiest patent courts in the country. Under Judge Holderman's direction, the Court set up local rules for patent cases. Additionally, Judge Holderman is one of the few judges participating in the Patents Pilot Program established by Congress to increase expertise on patents in the court system. Judge Holderman was recently named 2012 Distinguished IP Professional by the Intellectual Property Owners Association ("IPO") and he is recognized nationally and internationally as an expert on IP issues.

Judge Holderman's presentation regarding "Procedures to Improve Intellectual Property Jury Trials" focused on different methods to improve efficiency in patent trials and offered suggestions and solutions for fixing various issues that arise in patent cases. Judge Holderman's unique approach to jury trials and his opinions on keeping technology (particularly smartphones and social media) out of the jury process sparked a discussion among the various judges in attendance. At the end of the presentation, Chief Judge Dlott thanked Judge Holderman for his excellent topic and stated this was one of the most interesting Judges' Dinners she had ever attended.



Judge Holderman answered audience questions following his presentation. CincyIP was honored to have Judge Holderman participate in the Judges' Dinner and agree to share his insight with the Cincinnati IP community.

### AOAIOIP Celebrates 25 Years

This year marked the 25th Anniversary of the All Ohio Annual Institute on Intellectual Property ("AOAIOIP") by the Cincinnati Bar Association, and the 23rd year of the two city (Cincinnati and Cleveland) programs. This year's Cincinnati program featured regular speakers, such as Tom Irving of Finegan Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner and Kate Spelman of K&L Gates, two presenters who have been with the program since its inception. The program also included new presentations from several new individuals speaking on a variety of topics ranging from protection of innovative fashion designs to implementation of the AIA.

"Our focus has always been to provide a top flight, low cost, convenient program for Ohioans," said Kenneth B. Germain of Wood Henton & Evans LLP. The AOAIOIP program was created by Germain, who acted as Program Chair for the last 25 years. Thanks to Germain's dedication and hard work, the AOAIOIP flourished and the number of participants has consistently grown over the years. While the first AOAIOIP program had about 50 people attend, the Cincinnati program is now considered the largest CLE program put on through the Cincinnati Bar Association. "What has impressed me the most is the acceptance of the program," Germain noted. "We have in southwestern Ohio a terrific, high quality intellectual property community."

Germain recently announced that he was stepping down as the Program

Chair after 23 years of service. Lon E. Krafft of Wood Heron & Evans will take over next year as Program Chair. Germain noted Krafft's experience in the IP field and her enthusiasm for AOAIOP make her an excellent choice to head the program.

This year, the Cincinnati Bar Association in partnership with AOAIOP established three scholarships to recognize Germain's service and dedication to the program. Beginning next year, the scholarships will allow one student and one law faculty member from each of the three local law schools (the University of Cincinnati, Northern Kentucky University, and the University of Dayton) to attend the AOAIOP seminar for free. "I've always had academic outreach in mind," Germain said. "[The students] can see how vibrant the IP community is and they can make a contact or two and they get free lunch." The CBA plans to work with the area law schools to determine specific criteria for selecting the recipients.



Camp Invention presented this certificate to CincyIP in recognition of the three donated AOAIOP scholarships.

Additionally, in celebration of the 25th Anniversary of AOAIOP, CincyIP donated three scholarships in the name of AOAIOP to Camp Invention. As one of the largest programs in the country focusing on inspiring creativity and innovation in children, Camp Invention introduces nearly 80,000 children every year to the fields of science, technology, engineering and math. CincyIP's donated scholarships will allow three children to attend the camp who otherwise would not have access to these programs. CincyIP was proud to recognize the efforts of Ken Germain over the last 25 years.

### Grand Opening Celebration of NKU's W. Frank Steely Library

Northern Kentucky University proudly announces the designation of the W. Frank Steely Library as a Patent and Trademark Resource Center by the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

The USPTO and Steely Library will present a free patent and trademark workshop, introducing basic information about protecting your intellectual property, at the grand opening celebration on **Thursday, December 5, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Steely Library, Norm Drive, Highland Heights, KY 41099**. This event is sponsored by the NKU Chase Law Library and the NKU Chase Law + Informatics Institute. Contact [John Schling](#) for more information or find the agenda [here](#). [Maps and directions](#).

### Save the Date: NKU's Law + Informatics Symposium

The third annual Northern Kentucky Law Review - Law + Informatics Symposium on Cyber Defense Strategies and Responsibilities for Business and Industry will take place on **February 28, 2014**. An interdisciplinary line-up of academics and legal professionals will review the duties of industries providing critical infrastructure, industry responses to cyber threats from foreign governments, terrorists, and corporate espionage.

[Click here](#) for the full brochure and other information regarding the Symposium.

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