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# Practical Tips on Intellectual Property Law

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Section of Intellectual Property Law  
Young Lawyers Committee

**In cooperation with:**

The District of Columbia Bar  
Intellectual Property Law Section

# Practical Tips on Intellectual Property Law

Intellectual property law is a complex practice area requiring a broad array of skills. This Practical Tips program is designed to enhance these skills and enable IP practitioners to handle the many tasks that routinely arise in this increasingly important area of practice. Unlike programs that deal principally with cutting-edge issues and recent court decisions, the Practical Tips program features top professionals from the IP field who provide practical advice on dealing with the “nuts and bolts” of every day IP practice. For the 9th year, the Practical Tips program is being sponsored by the Young Lawyers Committee of the ABA Section of Intellectual Property Law; this session in cooperation with The District of Columbia Bar Intellectual Property Law Section.

## Special Guest Luncheon Speaker

**Sean Carter,**  
Humorist at Law



Sean Carter is a lawyer, syndicated columnist, author, public speaker and trainer.

Mr. Carter earned his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1992. He practiced corporate law for a decade before becoming a full-time Humorist at Law.

Mr. Carter is the author of a weekly syndicated legal humor column entitled “Lawpsided.” Lawpsided has been published in newspapers in 30 states and on countless web sites. Mr. Carter is also the author of *If It Does Not Fit, Must You Acquit?: Your Humorous Guide to the Law*.

He is a much sought-after guest on radio programs across the country, informing radio listeners on outrageous lawsuits and wacky legislation.



# Program Schedule

## Wednesday, April 5, 2006

8:45 - 8:50 a.m.

### Opening Remarks

Melanye K. Johnson, *Senior Counsel, E.I. duPont de Nemours and Company, Wilmington, DE*

8:50 - 9:00 a.m.

### Welcoming Remarks

Richard C. Litman, *Litman Law Offices Ltd, Arlington VA. Co-Chair, The District of Columbia Bar Intellectual Property Law Section*

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

### Pre-Litigation Matters

Opinions of Counsel, notice to infringers, responding to notices of infringement, pleadings, creative claim drafting with a view toward litigation.

Steven Gardner, *Kilpatrick Stockton, Winston-Salem, NC*

George F. Wheeler, *McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd., Chicago, IL*

10:00 - 10:05 a.m.

### Break

10:05 - 11:05 a.m.

### Trademark Trial and Appeal Board

New decisions, opposition and cancellation proceedings.

Jennifer Elgin, *Wiley Rein & Fielding, Washington, DC*

Hon. Gerard F. Rogers, *Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA*

11:05 - 11:10 a.m.

### Break

11:10 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

### International Trade Commission

IP protection against imported products at the U.S. International Trade Commission under Section 337— perspectives and insights from private and government counsel.

Steven E. Lipman, *Darby & Darby, New York, NY*

T. Spence Chubb, *Supervisory Attorney, Office of Unfair Import Investigations, International Trade Commission, Washington, DC*

12:15 - 1:30 p.m.

### **Buffet Luncheon**

Guest Speaker:

**Sean Carter**, *Humorist at Law, Mesa AZ*

1:45 - 3:15 p.m.

### **Discovery**

Written discovery, depositions of parties and non-parties, third party discovery, protective orders, experts.

**James R. Kyper**, *Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Nicholson Graham, LLP, Pittsburgh, PA*

**Patrick McElhinny**, *Kirkpatrick & Lockhart Nicholson Graham, LLP, Pittsburgh, PA*

3:15 - 3:30 p.m.

### **Break**

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

### **Motion Practice**



Summary judgment motions, motions in limine, other dispositive motions.

**Douglas N. Masters**, *Loeb & Loeb, LLC, Chicago, IL*  
**Paul R. Garcia**, *Kirkland & Ellis, LLP, Chicago, IL*

5:00 - 5:05 p.m.

### **Closing Remarks / Adjourn**

**Shannon V. McCue**, *Renner, Kenner, Greive, Bobak, Taylor & Weber, LPA, Akron, OH*



## **Program Co-Chairs**

**Shannon V. McCue**, *Renner, Kenner, Greive, Bobak, Taylor & Weber, LPA, Akron, OH*

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# Registration and Program Information

## Advance Registration

You can register online at [www.abanet.org/intelprop/2006tips\\_dc](http://www.abanet.org/intelprop/2006tips_dc) or complete and mail the registration form with your payment. If paying by credit card, you may fax the form to 312/988-6800. Deadline for receipt of advance registration is March 22, 2006. Payment must accompany form.

## Onsite Registration

Onsite registration will be available Wednesday, April 5, 2006 beginning at 8:00 a.m. Onsite registrations must include payment.

## Registration Confirmation

Confirmations will be sent via e-mail in advance of the program for all registrations received prior to March 22, 2006.

## Cancellation Policy

Registrants unable to attend will receive a refund less a \$25 administrative fee if a written cancellation is received by March 22, 2006. Fax cancellation requests to 312/988-6800, Attn.: Practical Tips Program. No refunds will be granted after March 22. Substitutions are acceptable. The ABA reserves the right to cancel any program and assumes no responsibility for personal expenses.

## Food and Beverage

There will be coffee service prior to the start of the program, and during breaks. A special buffet luncheon with not-to-be-missed **featured guest speaker Sean Carter**, Humorist-at-Law, is offered for an additional ticket price of \$35.

## CLE Credit

CLE accreditation has been requested for this program from every state with mandatory continuing education requirements for lawyers. Please be aware that each state has its own rules and regulations, including its definition of "CLE." Check with your state agency for confirmation of this program's approval. For information on approved number of credit hours, contact the ABA Service Center at 800/285-2221, or the Section of Intellectual Property Law at 312/988-6268.

## Location and Lodging

The Practical Tips on Intellectual Property Law program will be held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel, 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia. The ABA group rate is \$179.00 single/double occupancy. All rooms are subject to a 9.75% Virginia State Sales Tax. To reserve a room, call the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel directly at 800/228-9290 or 703/920-3230. Be sure to mention the ABA Intellectual Property Law Conference to receive the special group rate.

**Note: The cutoff date for the room block is Monday, March 13, 2006. But do not wait until the March 13 cutoff date, as the room block fills up quickly. After this date, reservations can be made on a space-available basis only. The ABA will not be able to secure a room for you.**

## Travel Information

You are encouraged to make your airline reservations on the ABA Online Travel site where you automatically receive ABA airfare discounts from a variety of carriers. ABA Online Travel can be accessed from the ABA web site home page, [www.abanet.org](http://www.abanet.org). Click on the Lawyer Resources link in the left column, then locate ABA Online Travel in the Member Services box in the right column. Reservations can also be made through Travelocity Business or directly with the airline. The 24/7 toll-free number for Travelocity Business is 1/866-321-8403.

American Airlines can be reached at 1/800-433-1790. **The Reference Discount Code** for U.S. domestic and Canadian flights is **18395**.

## Hardship Waivers

Financial hardship waivers are available for this program. To receive such consideration or request additional information, e-mail: [iplaw@abanet.org](mailto:iplaw@abanet.org), or call 312/988-6268.

## More Information

For more information on the Section of Intellectual Property Law, visit the Section website: [www.abanet.org/intelprop](http://www.abanet.org/intelprop), e-mail [iplaw@abanet.org](mailto:iplaw@abanet.org), or call 312/988-6268.



# Registration Form

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- \$225 Program Attendance  
 \$35 Lunch with Guest Speaker  
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