Intellectual Property Law Section Agenda

Thursday, August 19, 2021

12:00 PM-1:00 PM

Via Web Conference

IP Section Welcome

 Welcome our CLE presenter, USPTO Rocky Mountain Regional Director Molly Kocialski

• ITEM FOR VOTE:

Minutes from last meeting – review and approval

REVIEW PREVIOUS BUSINESS

Advocate Sponsorship

- Voted at the Dec. 2020 meeting to sponsor the next-available issue of The Advocate
- We are scheduled to sponsor the <u>September 2022</u> issue.
 - ISB will follow up with me in September 2021 as far as timeline and next steps from there.
 - Note: Because the formal approval of slots later than mid-2022 won't occur until September 2021, technically we are "tentatively" slated for September 2022 until further notice.

Scholarships:

- Certification Course Scholarship
 - For section members for certain eligible expenses (e.g., patent bar study materials and exam fees, other licensing courses or CLE opportunities).
 - \$1,000 pool for awards up to \$500 per recipient
 - No applications received by the original Feb. 28 deadline.
 - Application Deadline has been extended to August 31

OFFICER ELECTIONS

- Call for Nominations for Chair, Southern Vice Chair, Northern Vice Chair, Eastern Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer
- Submit nominations—of self or others—by email to current Chair (<u>MRHarvey@hollandhart.com</u>)

- Nomination Deadline is <u>August 23</u>
- Election to be held electronically with new officers expected to take office by August 31.

• CLE PRESENTATION

- USPTO Rocky Mountain Regional Director Molly Kocialski
 - New Trademark Modernization Act and other trademark updates
 - Current state of the USPTO's Covid-related initiatives such as prioritized exams, fast track appeals, and Covid-19 relief issues
 - Guidance to the USPTO from Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo
 - Policy changes initiated by the Biden Administration
- Open call for Section meeting CLE speakers / topics September and onward
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