Intellectual Property Law Section Agenda

Thursday, December 16, 2021

12:00 PM-1:30 PM

Via Web Conference

• ITEM FOR VOTE:

Minutes from last meeting – review and approval

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- Advocate Sponsorship
 - We have been officially approved to sponsor the <u>September 2022</u> issue of *The Advocate*
 - Timeline:
 - July 13, 2022 = deadline for article submissions
 - July 20, 2022 = Editorial Advisory Board meeting
 - August 1, 2022 = deadline for final revisions
 - Author Guidelines to be circulated soon by ISB
 - We need ~6 articles for the issue—prior volunteers:
 - A few folks volunteered back in October 2020 when initially voted to sponsor an issue—I will reach out to them.
 - Any new volunteers? Can also email me.
 - Solicit one or more student articles?

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 were received by the extended Aug. 31 deadline, so we extended further
 - o One application received since
- Update from Scholarship Committee
- Patent Agent Members?

- Our bylaws don't specifically mention patent agents.
 - Just says "Members of the general public" can be non-voting members
 - Do we want to specifically mention, or leave as-is?
 - o Same for law professors, law clerks, and law students?
- What dues level would we want to charge patent agents?
 - ISB website breaks things down as \$40 for standard, \$20 for law professors and law clerks, and free for law students.
 - Specify patent agent dues level separately on the ISB website?

CLE PRESENTATION

- John Kirkpatrick USPTO Patent Pro Bono Team
 - "An Overview of the Patent Pro Bono Program and of Professional Responsibility and Practice Before the USPTO"
 - 1 hour presentation
 - Please see https://www.uidaho.edu/law/outreach/patent-pro-bono-program/volunteer-attorney-info or www.uspto.gov/probonopatents for more information on how to volunteer
- Open call for Section meeting CLE speakers / topics January and onward
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