

SOFTWARE PARTNERSHIP – December 5, 2013

Patent Quality – Prior Art Resources

USPTO Madison Auditorium

1:00 pm – 4:30 pm

- I. Welcome – Jim Dwyer, Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations
- II. Opening remarks – Margaret A. (Peggy) Focarino, Commissioner for Patents
- III. Introduction of the topic: Objectives and Overview – Jim Dwyer, Assistant Deputy Commissioner for Patent Operations
- IV. USPTO presentations
 - Search resources and tools
 - Collaboration tools
 - Scientific and Technical Information Center
 - Examiner search demonstration (mock search)
 - Q&A
- V. Break
 - 2:30pm – 2:45pm = 15 mins.
- VI. Stakeholder presentations
 - Brad Pederson, Patterson Thunte IP
 - John Toebes, Cisco Systems
 - Dominic DeMarco, DEMARCO IP, LLC & PIUG
 - Michael Messinger, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox P.L.L.C.
 - Q&A
- VII. Stakeholder discussion
- IX. Closing remarks, next steps and glossary updates – Jim Dwyer