Software Partnership Roundtables

• Two events: Silicon Valley, New York City
  – Listening sessions to accommodate as many speakers as possible
  – SV: 12 speakers, approximately 250 in audience (150 live, 100 webcast)
  – NYC: 14 speakers, approximately 200 in audience (120 live, 80 webcast)
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- Diversity of Speakers
  - Law Professors
  - Patent Practitioners
  - Corporate Attorneys
  - Independent Software Developers; and
  - Software Coalitions
• Common Discussion Points
  – Potential for improvements:
    • 35 U.S.C. § 112, specifically paragraphs (a), (b) and (f)
    • Clarity of record
  – No software specific rules
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• Next Steps
  – Written Comments
  – Additional Partnership Meetings
  – Examiner Training