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Day 1: Monday, 9 May 2011
(Location: GIPA Common Lecture Room)

- 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Registration and Welcoming Remarks**
Includes Program Overview and Group Introductions
- Attendees**
- Position Title
 - Information about office/organization
 - Information about patent system; number of applications filed, length of process
 - How patents are published; are they made available to the public
- 9:30 – 9:45 a.m. **Introduction of Patent and Trademark Office Society (PTOS)**
Raymond Addie
Patent Examiner, Art Unit 3671
Co-Chair, International Relations Committee
Patent and Trademark Office Society
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 9:45 – 10:15 a.m. **Introduction to the USPTO Video**
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- **Overview**
 - **History**
- 10:15–10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. **Introduction to the USPTO (cont'd)**
James Dwyer
Assistant Deputy Commissioner
Office of the Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- Organizational Structure
 - Operating Statistics
 - Funding Model
- 11:15 – 12:15 p.m. **IPR Enforcement, Public Health and Economic Growth**
Peter Fowler
Senior Counsel, Enforcement
Office of Policy and External Affairs
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 12:15 – 1:45 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:45 – 2:15 p.m. **Patent & Trademark Depository Library Program**
Tom Turner

Librarian
Patent and Trademark Depository Library Program
United States Patent and Trademark Office

2:15 – 2:30 p.m.

Break

2:30– 3:15 p.m.

Searching the US Patent Databases

Tom Turner

Librarian

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3:15 – 3:30

Group Photograph

3:30 – 3:45

Move to Randolph Building

3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Electronic Information Center Tour: TC 2100

(Randolph Building, RND-4B28)

Karen Lehman

Supervisor, Electronic Information Center for TC 2100

Scientific and Technical Information Center

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Day 2: Tuesday, 10 May 2011
(Location: GIPA Common Lecture Room)

- 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Advanced Claims Analysis**
Mary Beth Jones
Supervisory Quality Assurance Specialist
Office of Patent Quality Assurance
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- **Claim Structure**
 - **Claim Interpretation Rules**
 - **Functional Language**
 - **Terminology**
- 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. **Advanced Novelty Analysis**
S. Thomas Hughes
Training Quality Assurance Specialist
Technology Center 3700
Office of the Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- **Priority**
 - **Grace Periods**
 - **Form of Disclosures**
 - **Inherency/Implied Teachings**
- 11:30 – 1:30 p.m. **Lunch**
- 1:30 – 2:45 p.m. **Advanced Obviousness/Inventive Step Analysis**
Kathleen Fonda
Attorney-Advisor
Office of Patent Legal Administration
Office of the Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- **Reasonable Expectation of Success**
 - **Objective Criteria of Non-obviousness**
- 2:45 – 3:00 p.m. **Break**
- 3:00 – 3:30 p.m. **Case Study Assignments**
- 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. **Reexamination: *ex Parte* and *inter Partes***
Jessica Harrison
Supervisory Patent Examiner
Central Reexamination Unit
Office of the Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office

Day 3: Wednesday, 11 May 2011
(Location: GIPA Common Lecture Room)

- 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. **Special Examination Topics – Computer-Implemented Inventions**
Robert Weinhardt
Supervisory Patent Examiner
Technology Center 3600
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 10:30 – 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 – 12:00 a.m. **Special Examination Topics – Financial Products and Services**
Robert Weinhardt
Supervisory Patent Examiner
Technology Center 3600
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. **Working Lunch – Management of CII Examination**
Speaker: Jack Harvey
TC Director
Technology Center 2100
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. **Continue Work on Case Study Assignments**
- 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. **Group Discussion of Case Study Assignments**
Minna Moezie
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- Robert Weinhardt*
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Day 4: Thursday, 12 May 2011

(Location: GIPA Common Lecture Room)

- 9:00 – 10:15 a.m. **Patent Review – Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (BPAI)**
Honorable Jeffrey B. Robertson
Administrative Patent Judge
Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 10:15 – 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. **Patent Reform 2011**
Dana Colarulli
Director
Office of Government Affairs
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. **PTOS Pizza and Ice Cream Social**
- 1:00 – 2:15 p.m. **Patent Prosecution: Practitioner Panel**
Moderator: Minna Moezie
Panelists: Ann McCrackin,
Valentina Boyet, Senior IP Counsel, SAP
- 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. **Solicitor’s Office – Appeals of Decisions from the BPAI**
Mary Kelly
Associate Solicitor
Office of the Solicitor
United States Patent and Trademark Office
- 3:00 – 3:15 p.m. **Break**
- 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. **Program Wrap Up and Presentation of Certificates**