Patent Public Advisory Committee Quarterlly Meeting

Luncheon Program
IP Attachés: A Day in the Life

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Discussion Topics

• What is an IP Attaché?
• Locations of U.S. IPR Attaches and Officers
• “A Day in the Life”
  – China – Guangzhou
  – Southeast Asia
• Questions and Discussion
What is an IP Attaché?

• A U.S. diplomat assigned to a U.S. embassy or consulate abroad who represents the USPTO and serves as an expert on intellectual property matters. IP Attachés serve an initial two-year limited appointment, which may be extended for up to three additional years.

What does an IP Attaché Do?

• Promotes and explains U.S. government IP policy overseas
• Advises U.S. government officials on foreign governments’ IP systems
• Advocates for changes to foreign countries’ IP-related laws and regulations
• Educates host government officials on IP matters
• Conducts public awareness programs
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