

**INTELLECTUALPROPERTY  
LAWCOMMITTEEBUSINESS LAW SECTION  
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MEETING MINUTES – 8<sup>th</sup> Annual IP Symposium Meeting  
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Attendees: To be circulated after the meeting in an addendum.

**I. WELCOMEANDINTRODUCTIONBYIP COMMITTEE CHAIR**

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Introductions**

**B. Adoption of Meeting Minutes.** Minutes from prior meeting were reviewed and approved.

**III. NEWBUSINESS**

**A. IPCertificationUpdate** by Jerry Schneider reported that there are 9 people sitting for exam in May. There are 77 currently certified attorneys due to recertify by upcoming deadline in July, or file for an extension.

**B. LegislativeUpdate** –Woody filled in for Mike Colitz and gave the following report **on three pending legislative matters:**

1. Unmanned Aircraft legislation (CS/HB 1027) - not relevant to IP so the committee will not be taking an action

2. Dangerous Goods / Hazardous Materials Certification (S. 1176) - concerns certification marks from state or USPTO – a task force has been created, led by Bob Kane who has drafted ring a white paper and has proposed changes

3. Protect Florida Small Business Act (SB0750/HB 1069) – Mike Colitz drafted and circulated a white paper, after which the IP committee voted to oppose. A triple motion in opposition has passed

4. Bitcoin – Despite discussion, no legislation has been introduced this year, on hold.

**IV. 8thANNUALINTELLECTUALPROPERTYSYMPOSIUM** – We recognized the Steering Committee and invited those interested in participating to let us know via email.

**V. SPONSORS** – Thanks to our sponsors: Keegan and Donato, Cherry Bekaert, and

Cozen O'Connor. The committee is encouraged to visit their tables and use their services.

**VI. JUDICIAL LIASONS**

If anyone knows of judge with an interest in I.P., let Kimra know. We would like to have a federal judge to serve as IP Committee's representative to the Business Law Section Judge Scriven expressed interest per Woody. Another Judge possibly interested per Mark Stein.

**VII. STATE TRADEMARK ACT** - Dineen to circulate the most recent draft of the State Examiner's "Manual" as part of an effort she is leading to update it.

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

**A.** Next meeting June 22 in Boca Raton at the Annual Meeting.