

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW COMMITTEE
THE FLORIDA BAR ANNUAL CONVENTION
HILTON BONNET CREEK, ORLANDO**

Thursday June 14, 2018 Hilton Bonnet Creek, Orlando, Florida

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Welcome. Meeting was called to order at 9:38 AM by Michael J. Colitz, III, Chair of the Committee, who presided at the meeting.
2. Introduction of members and guests present. All members present at the meeting, and all guests attending the meeting, introduced themselves and signed an attendance sheet.

Telephonic attendees:

Doug Cherry
Doug McDonald
Jacqueline Tadros

* There were at least 3-4 others that were not recognizable

3. Michael J. Colitz, III provided a brief summary for the 9th Annual IP Symposium.
 - We had 65 attendees. We may have had more but for insufficient hotel space. A number of members indicated that they had planned to attend, but chose instead to buy the program on DVD due to issue with rooms at the Don Cesar, and we have already had five DVD sales since the Symposium. For planning in the future, we need to be mindful (and make sure the folks at the Bar are mindful as well when it is time to reserve space at the venue each year) that more rooms may be needed when the Symposium is in Orlando or Tampa than when it is in South Florida due to more people staying overnight
 - Also, this year the bar held a survey of attendees by email (the way they plan to survey from now on, I believe), and the results were very good. Specifically, 84% of the respondents said they were “very satisfied” overall with the course, and the other 16% said “somewhat satisfied” – nobody was negative or even neutral overall. We were fortunate to have some very engaging and informative speakers, so if you didn’t attend and need CLE, it would be worth the money to buy the DVD.
 - Special thanks goes to the Symposium Committee, whose members are: Mike Colitz, Terry Sanks, Jackie Tadros, Kimra Major-Morris, Woody Pollack Darren Spielman, Jim Gale, Sam Lewis, Michele Moss, Joe Englander, Shanti Hill, and Kim Harchuck. And of course, a Very Special Thank You goes to our Judicial Chair for putting together a great panel, and for everything else she does for the committee, the Honorable Judge Scriven.
 - Next year’s Symposium is slated to be held in Orlando, and Michele Johnson Moss will be chairing the committee. This is a great chance to get involved with the Section and

meet your fellow members of the IP bar from around the state, so I would encourage you to get involved and let Michele know of your interest today.

4. An IP Certification committee update was provided.
5. Legislative update provided by Terry Sanks
 - a. Franchise Bill defeated
 - b. Push to do something with Blockchain Technology and Smart Contracts
 - c. Task force on Blockchain Technology headed up by Woody Pollack
 - d. Blockchain Technology is going to be one of the hot topics next session
 - e. Looking for volunteers for the Blockchain committee.
6. Mentorship Program discussed. If you want to be a mentor – send email to Michael Colitz at michael.colitz@gray-robinson.com or Terry Sanks at tsanks@bwsmiplaw.com
7. New leadership introduced:
 - Terry Sanks will be the Chair
 - Jacqueline Tadros will be the First Vice Chair
 - James Matulis will be the Second Vice Chair
 - Michele Moss will be the IP Symposium Chair
 - Samuel Lewis will be the Communications liason
 - Judge Scriven will be our Judicial Chair
 - Professor Jake Linford will be our Academic advisor
8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 am
9. Joshua Brown of Greenberg Traurig presented our CLE program:
“Ethical Issues Posed by Blockchain Technology”

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Ethics	1.0
Technology	1.0
Business Litigation	1.0