

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW COMMITTEE  
BUSINESS LAW SECTION  
THE FLORIDA BAR  
MEETING MINUTES – September 3, 2022**

**I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION BY THE CHAIR**

Attendance: (in person): Samuel Lewis, Darren Spielman, Meredith Frank Mendez, Diana Mederos, Jeanne Seewald, Robert Kain, Zak Catanzaro, Stacy Matulis, Woody Pollack, Brian Paul, the Honorable Mary Scriven, Donna Rinck, Juyerre Diaz, Jennifer Shiner, Don Conwell, Renee Maxey, Elizabeth Stamoulis, Doug Cherry, Sean Combs, Jim Matulis, Christopher Cabrera, Daniel Cardwell, Marisol Cruz, Michelle Suarez, Michele G. Moss, Fred Romano, Naivelle Gonzalo, Robert Thornburg, Sarah “Eli” Mattern, Gabriella Jimenez.

Attendance: (via Zoom): Jacqueline Tadros, Deborah Mitchell, Crystal Potts, Jose Rojas, Lorna Brown-Burton, Paul Bianco, Shaunette Stokes, Nicolette Vilmos, Reta Mccolpin, Jessica McDonald, John Fulton Jr., Ava Doppelt, Vanessa Ferguson.

**II. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Adoption of Meeting Minutes, Annual Meeting (June 23, 2022)** – moved and seconded. Approved without opposition.

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. 2023 IP Symposium Planning** – Sean Combs provided an update of the status of the planning for next year’s Symposium, due to take place March 30-31, 2023 in the Tampa/St. Pete area. He also called for additional volunteers to assist with the Symposium.
- B. Legislative Update** – Darren Spielman reported on the anticipated ESG legislation and anticipated amendments to Florida’s Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act.
- C. Joint Task Force with Computer Law and Technology** – the Committee formed a new Joint Task Force with the Computer Law and Technology committee to address the recently-introduced legislation from Senator Thom Tillis, the Patent Eligibility Restoration Act of 2022, intended to amend Section 101 of the Patent Act. Bob Kain, Diana Medeiros and Michele Moss volunteered to serve on the task force.
- D. Amicus Brief Update** – Dineen Wasylik advised that the Supreme Court had continued oral argument in the case in order to give the parties an opportunity to settle the dispute.
- E. Board Certification Study Materials Task Force Update** – Samuel Lewis expanded the mandate for the task force, which is now going to create both study materials and a series of CLE programs that will help applicants meet the CLE

requirements for obtaining Board Certification and also serve as a review for the exam. Professor Catanzaro volunteered to assist the task force.

**F. Board Certification Update** – Samuel Lewis provided an update regarding the status of Board Certification, indicating that: (1) there are 144 total lawyers Board Certified in Intellectual Property Law; (2) there were three applicants last year, and two sat for the 2022 exam; and (3) of the seventy-five (75) lawyers due to recertify in 2022, the Bar had received 51 applications and 19 extension requests.

**G. Liaison Updates**

**1. Pro Bono Committee** – Michele G. Moss advised that there was no Pro Bono Committee meeting, and therefore, no update.

**2. CLE Committee** – Liz Stamoulis provided an update.

**IV. CLE EVENT – Copyright Small Claims: Is it Working?** Presented by Dineen Wasyluk, CLE Course Number 6443.

**V. ADJUOURNMENT**