



SDIPLA News



January 13, 2005 SDIPLA Lunch (MCLE 1hr) “Ethics Issues in Intellectual Property Practice” By PAUL W. VAPNEK Of Counsel, Townsend and Townsend and Crew

Special points of interest:

- SDIPLA will host a lunch meeting on January 13, 2005 featuring Paul W. Vapnek, Of Counsel at Townsend and Townsend and Crew on Ethics Issues in Intellectual Property Practice.
- SDIPLA will host a meeting on February 17, 2005 featuring Roger Milgram, Partner at Paul Hastings (New York) and author of *Milgram on Trade Secrets*.
- SDIPLA will host a meeting on May 26, 2005 featuring a Judge’s Panel Discussion.

Mr. Vapnek will discuss the obligations of I.P. lawyers to their clients, the duty of loyalty and related duties, conflicts of interest in I.P. practice, conflicts involving corporations and partnerships, as well as confidentiality and privilege issues, including recent cases in these areas.

Mr. Vapnek handles litigation matters pertaining to patent, trademark, copyright, unfair competition, trade secret and related antitrust law. He also aids clients with the licensing and prosecution of intellectual property, primarily trademarks and copyrights. He was an Assistant Professor of Law at Hastings College of the Law, University of California, for 14 years teaching intellectual property law and Professional Responsibility. He has also taught at Boalt Hall and U.S.F. School of Law. He is a registered Professional Engineer in New York.

Education

University of San Francisco, J.D., 1964
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, B.S., 1951, *Mechanical Engineering*

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JANUARY LUNCH MEETING:

“Ethics Issues in Intellectual Property Practice”

Date/Time/Location:

January 13, 2005
 11:45 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
 San Diego Marriott Del Mar
 11966 El Camino Real
 Del Mar, California

Notes:

This meeting is at the Del Mar Marriot.
 This is a lunch meeting.
 Speaker: Paul W. Vapnek

Directions:

I-5 to Del Mar Heights Road;
 Turn right on Del Mar Heights Road;
 Turn right on High Bluff Drive;
 Make a right on El Camino Real
 Stop at 11966 El Camino Real

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January 13, 2005 Lunch (MCLE 1hr)

Ethics Issues in Intellectual Property Practice

Speaker:
Paul W. Vapnek

Admissions and Memberships

American Bar Association
American Intellectual Property Law Association
Bar Association of San Francisco, *Past Director*
Committee on Professional Responsibility and Conduct, *Past Chair*
Commission to Revise the Rules of Professional Conduct, *Member and Co-Vice Chair*
Executive Committee, Intellectual Property Section, *Past Member*
Legal Aid Society of San Francisco, *Director*
San Francisco Intellectual Property Law Association, *Past President*
State Bar of California, 1965
United States Patent and Trademark Office
United States Supreme Court, 1977

Publications

"Intellectual Property Law Practice in the 1980s: Dealing with the Expectations of a More Informed Clientele"
"The Lawyer and Unfair Competition"
"Infringement and Remedies Provisions of the New Copyright Law"
"Invention Developers: Public and Private Litigation and Legislative Solutions"
"Conflicts of Interest and Disqualification in Intellectual Property Litigation"
"California Practice Guide, Professional Responsibility," published by The Rutter Group, *Co-Author*

If you are part of the California State Bar's Compliance Group 3 (N-Z), then you need to have 4 hours of Legal Ethics credits by January 31, 2005. By attending the January membership meeting for SDIPLA, you will be earning 1 hour of ethics credits towards your MCLE requirement.

Reservation Form for January 13, 2005 Meeting

“Ethics Issues in Intellectual Property Practice”

By **PAUL W. VAPNEK**

Thursday

January 13, 2005

San Diego Marriott Del Mar
11966 El Camino Real, Del Mar

Registration starts at 11:45 a.m.

Lunch starts at 12:00 p.m.

Presentation starts at 12:15 p.m.

The Menu

Comida Mexicana Buffet including:

Smoked Chicken & Black Bean Soup

Create Your Own Fajitas

Smokey Chipotle Caesar Salad

Mixed Greens w/ Tomatoes, Olives, Roasted Corn,
Cucumbers, Red & Green Peppers, & Tortilla
Crisps (Red Wine Vinaigrette)

Crispy Tortilla Chips with Fresh Salsa &

Guacamole

Four Cheese Enchilada w/Red Chili Sauce

Refried Beans & Spanish Rice

Freshly Brewed Coffee & Select Herbal Teas

Due to the large number of attendees expected at this event, the SDIPLA is again requesting **Pre-Registration and Pre-Payment**.

To reserve your place, please fill out the below registration, indicate your meal choice, and send it **WITH YOUR CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO ‘SDIPLA’** to:

Thomas E. Coverstone
SDIPLA Secretary
c/o Townsend and Townsend and Crew
12730 High Bluff Drive, Suite 400
San Diego, CA 92130
(858) 350-6100
Fax: (858) 350-6111
tec@townsend.com

Please include Jeanette Olivera
(jolivera@townsend.com) on all e-mail
reservations.

**Please fill out a separate form
for each attendee.**

REMINDERS

- Please mail, fax, or e-mail your reservation to Thomas Coverstone at the address, fax, or e-mail address indicated for receipt **no later than noon on Monday, January 10, 2005**.
- The reservation deadline is dictated by the hotel and not by the SDIPLA.
- This program has been approved for MCLE credit by the State Bar of California in the amount of one (1.0) unit.

NOTE MEAL PRICES

\$40.00 SDIPLA Member

\$45.00 Non-Member

Registration

Name: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Firm/Employer: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Member of SDIPLA? (circle one) YES NO

RESERVATION DEADLINE IS 12:00 NOON, JANUARY 10, 2005

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS

If you are interested in applying for membership, please fill out the form located at:

http://www.sdipla.com/SDIPLA_New_Member_Application2004_2005.doc

and mail in the form with your membership dues to Tom Coverstone.

Attorneys are encouraged to join the Mentoring Committee! More info to follow, but if you cannot wait please contact Vicki Norton at vnorton@wsgr.com.

SDIPLA COMMITTEES: SDIPLA has Amicus, Awards Editorial, Events, and Sponsorship committees. Please contact an officer if you are interested in joining a committee. Go to the SDIPLA website at www.sdipla.org for more information about these committees and SDIPLA.

Applications for SDIPLA Membership

The following individuals have applied for SDIPLA membership. Active Members may oppose membership status to these individuals by lodging a formal notice of opposition. The opposition must include relevant grounds for disqualification and should be submitted to the Secretary on or before before January 28, 2005.

Eric Hanscom

Julie Hopper

Michael Rosen

ARTICLES: If you have an article for the newsletter, please send it to Tom Coverstone, c/o Townsend and Townsend and Crew, 12730 High Bluff Drive, Suite 400, San Diego, California 92130, phone: (858) 350-6100, fax: (858) 350-6111.

DUES: To pay or renew your **membership dues:** Please use the form on the web page, and send the form via mail or fax to Tom Coverstone.

SPONSORSHIP: If your firm or company is interested in sponsoring a meeting, please contact Tom Coverstone.

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Announcements

This Announcements section is designed to better serve the needs of the membership. This page may be used to advertise for positions offered or desired, as well as to provide a forum for announcements of interest to the San Diego IP community. Please contact Tom Coverstone if you would like to place an ad or announcement.

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