

OFFICER MEETING - MINUTES

MSBA Section of Intellectual Property Law

December 10, 2008 at 12:00 p.m.

By Teleconference

Participating Officers:

Ms. Donna Thomas, Chair of the Section

Mr. Michael Yang, Treasurer

Mr. Larry Guffey, Immediate Past Chair

Mr. Mike Oliver, Chair, Communications

Ms. Sherry H. Flax, Chair, Publications, and Chair-elect

Non-participating Officers:

Mr. Vasilios Peros, Chair, Programs

Ms. Konstantina M. Katcheves, Secretary

Ms. Kathryn M. Goldman, Chair, Membership

The meeting was called to order by Donna Thomas at 12:00 p.m.

I. Approval of Minutes

Minutes will be circulated for approval after review by Chair.

II. Budget, Mike Yang

Treasurer provided update on budget. Current budget for the section is \$4,434. Next year's budget submission is due to be filed with the MSBA by December 12. Chair reported that the proposed \$20 section dues has been approved by the Section Council

III. Committee Reports

A. Communication Committee – M. Oliver, Chair

M. Oliver updated on the status of the web-site. It was reported that the web site is updated and re-designed. A pdf/txt of the IP Law Update is to be sent to M. Oliver.

B. Membership Committee – Donna Thomas Reporting

Chair updated on the status of membership. It was reported that the membership committee is to meet the following week.

C. Program Committee – Donna Thomas Reporting

Chair updated on the status of programs. A winter event will be scheduled as a webinar only event.

D. Publication Committee – Sherry Flax, Chair

S. Flax provided a status update regarding the newsletter project and other publications. The March 15, 2009 edition of the Bar Bulletin (Feb. 20, 2009 submission deadline) will be devoted to intellectual property, and the January 2010 issue of the Maryland Bar Journal (Sept. 15, 2009 submission deadline) will be devoted to intellectual property. Timeline and content possibilities were discussed. It was also reported that Kim Grimsley agreed to write an article.

IV. MICPEL

It was reported that MICPEL was considering a request that the January 30 MICPEL event, co-sponsored by the IP Section, be available as a webinar.

V. **Next Officers Meeting** will be Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at D. Thomas' office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes by Secretary : Konstantina Katcheves _____