

Activities of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)

*IP5 Meetings, SuZhou China
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AIPLA

Serving the

Creative and **Legal** Communities

- Voluntary bar association of around 15,000 members (individuals only), approximately 120 years old
- Members include U.S. and foreign lawyers (private practice, in-house, government, academia), patent and trademark agents, USPTO officials, judges, law students, other IP professionals
- Led by 19-member Board of Directors; Full-time staff of 27

- Three stated meetings each year with many other programs throughout the year – both in-person and online
- Over 50 committees, covering all areas of Intellectual Property law and practice
- Around 15 “international” committees

- **Lobbying in the U.S. Congress**
 - America Invents Act (“AIA”) of 2011
 - Current Patent Reform efforts
 - Other IP-related legislation
- **Amicus Briefs in the U.S. Courts**
 - U.S. Supreme Court
 - U.S. Federal Circuit and other U.S. Circuit Courts
- **Advocacy with the U.S. Administration**
 - USPTO; U.S. Copyright Office; Other U.S. Agencies

- Member of Industry Trilateral, Industry IP5, and the Global Dossier Task Force
- Accredited Non-Governmental Organization at WIPO in Geneva
- Engagement with major IP offices internationally
- Relations with “sister associations” around the world

- Continuing Legal Education Programs
- Online programming
- International programs
- Publications
- Interactive Website
- Networking/mentoring

We fully appreciate the opportunity to work directly with the five major patent offices from around the world, in conjunction with the other Industry associations.

AIPLA's leadership fully supports the work of the IP5, the Industry IP5, and the Global Dossier Task Force.

Thank you