

Andrew Kopon Jr.
IADC President

President's Message

"The present moment is a wonderful moment." - Thich Nhat Hanh

The present moment is indeed a wonderful moment for the International Association of Defense Counsel. As our membership and staff prepare for what promises to be an outstanding Midyear Meeting in warm and sunny La Quinta, California, the IADC is hitting on all cylinders.

This spring, the Corporate Counsel College, held in Chicago, will feature a new half-day training program for lawyers transitioning into their roles as inside counsel. The transitioning in-house counsel who attend will experience and benefit from practical

programming and noteworthy speakers who have led in-house counsel departments at major corporations. The attendees will also be invited to attend the Corporate Counsel College program that immediately follows the training program as guests of the IADC. For outside counsel IADC members, this is another high-level IADC networking opportunity that should not be missed. The Corporate Counsel College program this spring is led by Tripp Haston.

As we move through 2018, our Regional Meeting schedule will find the IADC sponsoring top-notch CLE programs and more networking opportunities in places such as, Lima, Peru; San Francisco; Singapore; Toronto; Oklahoma City; and Hong Kong; just to mention a few. Our robust Regional Meeting programs are organized and led by Board member Deb Cole.

Also on the IADC docket during our "present moment" of 2018, is the wonderful Professional Liability Roundtable (PLR) under the new leadership of Cal Watson. Cal

2018 MIDYEAR MEETING FEBRUARY 10 - 15 LA QUINTA RESORT & CLUB LA QUINTA, CALIFORNIA USA



Join us for what is sure to be an exceptional meeting - relevant education, networking opportunities, and relaxation and adventure with friends.

For important information about making hotel reservations, click here.



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Proposed IADC Bylaws Change

A Message from the President

The Bylaws provision for membership nominations was amended in 2004 to allow for one nominator and one sponsor (instead of two sponsors) for outside counsel nominees that resided outside the US or Canada. Since that amendment, it has been brought to the Board's attention that some Canadian outside counsel nominees only had one sponsor, instead of two, as required by the Bylaws.

I appointed a task force, led by Amy Sherry Fischer, and included two Canadian members, to determine whether the Bylaws should be amended. The Bylaws Task Force, the Membership Committee, and the Board recommend that the Bylaws be amended to require one sponsor, instead of two sponsors, for Canadian member nominees. Requiring one sponsor, in addition to a nominator, will align the Canadian vetting process with the current requirement for all International nominees for IADC membership. This proposed amendment will allow the IADC to continue to grow international membership facilitating geographical diversity.

Rest assured that the vetting process for membership in the IADC is a rigorous process for all candidates nominated for membership. Streamlining the process for prospective Canadian members, as shown by the quality of our international, corporate, and insurance executive members, will not dilute the quality of future Canadian members in the IADC. Therefore, I will request a motion from the floor at the 2018 Midyear Meeting in La Quinta, CA to amend the Bylaws to allow for one sponsor in support of a nominator's nomination for membership of a Canadian candidate. I will further request that this amendment to the Bylaws be applied *nunc pro tunc* for all current Canadian members who may have had one nominator and one sponsor during the vetting process.

To review the proposed Bylaws change, click here.

If you have any questions, concerns, or require more information, please contact me at akopon@koponairdo.com.



46th Annual Trial Academy // Faculty Members Selected and Enrollment Open

This year marks the 46th year of the illustrious Trial Academy. The Academy will be July 28 to August 3 at Stanford Law School in Palo Alto, California. The seven-day intensive program teaches advocacy skills which are applicable at trial and in many other aspects of your practice. Applications for admittance to the class of 2018 are now being accepted.

The faculty members make an impressive team and include:

- Christopher A. Kenney, Director, Kenney & Sams, P.C., Boston, Massachusetts USA
- Nancy M. Erfle, Director-Elect, Gordon & Rees LLP, Portland, Oregon USA
- Mollie Benedict, Tucker Ellis LLP, Los Angeles, California USA
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- Sandra J. Wunderlich, Tucker Ellis LLP, Saint Louis, Missouri USA

If you know a good lawyer who works in the non-profit or public sector who could benefit from the 46th Trial Academy, please encourage them to apply for the George J. Lavin, Jr. Memorial Scholarship which is sponsored by The Foundation of the IADC. For guidelines, the application, and more information, click here. Deadline for application is April 2, 2018. Don't delay!

Visit the Trial Academy page on the IADC website to view the brochure and enroll online before the class fills up.



April Programs Designed for Corporate Counsel

New Program!

Corporate Counsel Training Academy

April 25, 2018 | The Ritz-Carlton | Chicago, Illinois USA

The IADC Corporate Counsel Training Academy is a half-day, complimentary primer for those who have been in-house counsel for 0-3 years. The program will be an intimate classroom setting with a maximum registration of 25 attendees. It will take place the day before the IADC Corporate Counsel College, and Training Academy attendees are invited to stay and attend the Corporate Counsel College, complimentary as well.

Program highlights include:

- Keynote Speaker Jack M. Greenberg, retired Chairman of Western Union Company and retired Chairman and CEO of McDonald's Corporation
- Expectations and Opportunities What it Takes to Succeed In-House
- Ethical Challenges Unexpected and Unintended

Registration for the Corporate Counsel Training Academy is now open! There are no fees for the Training Academy attendees to attend the Academy and the Corporate Counsel College, but registration is required for both meetings, and space is limited. Register online here.

For program information, <u>click here</u>. For all Training Academy details, visit the <u>Corporate Counsel Training Academy page</u> on the IADC website.

Corporate Counsel College

April 26 - 27, 2018 | The Ritz-Carlton | Chicago, Illinois USA

The Corporate Counsel College is a two-day program designed specifically for in-house counsel and their trusted outside advisors. Outside counsel members must attend with a guest, so start talking with your in-house clients today! The complete brochure will be available soon, but registration is already open on the Corporate Counsel College page on the IADC website.

Program topics will include:

- Luncheon and Keynote Speaker Rod J. Rosenstein, United States Deputy Attorney General
- LEARN: Four Lessons from the Dean of the Corporate Counsel Bar, Ben Heineman, Jr., Former GC at General Electric
- WIN: Reporting from the Front Lessons Learned From Today's Most Prominent Litigations
- PREDICT: Future of Trump and Congress Midterms, Relevant Corporate Policies
- COMPLY: It's a Small World After All Acting Global, Complying Local
- MANAGE: Alternative Fee Arrangement Reality Check
- PROTECT: Data Breaches
- INNOVATE: Leveraging Legal Tech and Legal AI
- EVOLVE: Shifting Societal Norms Creating A New Normal for Employers



2017 International Corporate Counsel College Wrap-Up

The International Corporate Counsel College was held on November 9 and 10 at the Hilton Amsterdam in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

Attendees were welcomed with an intimate environment, allowing the opportunity for in-house counsel and their advisors to gain knowledge together. This year's programming focused around the theme "21st Century Government: Friend or Foe? How to Work With It and Around It." Attendees enjoyed guest speakers including lunch speaker The Honorable Justice Jamie K. Trimble, dinner speaker Edgar du Perron, Dutch Supreme Court Justice, and Rt. Hon. Dominic Grieve, Q.C., M.P., who spoke on

Brexit.

Thank you to Director Bill Perry and his planning team for organizing such a well-thought out and relevant program. An additional thank you to our event sponsor <u>Advanced Discovery</u> for helping to make the conference possible.

The 2018 International Corporate Counsel College will be held October 4 and 5 at Parco dei Principi Grand Hotel in Rome, Italy.

SAVE THE DATE



Professional Liability Roundtable May 17 | University of Chicago | Chicago, Illinois USA

Programs will include: Cyber Monsters:
Do You Really Think You Are Safe?
(Almost) Everything You Need to Know
About Cyber Risk; Diminished Capacity
of Professionals: Dealing With the
Monsters We Pretend Do Not Exist;
Artificial Intelligence: Robots,
Monsters, or Helpful Friends?

2018 Annual MeetingJuly 7 - 12 | Epic Sana Lisboa | Lisbon, Portugal

Programs will include: The Nice Factor: Benefits in Litigation and Life; Whistleblowers: International Phantom Menaces or Jedi Knights?; What and Why You Need to Know About Blockchain



Please note: Registration for the 2018 Annual Meeting will open at 1:00 p.m. Pacific on February 14. We will send an email when registration and the room block are open.

For more information, please visit "Events" on the IADC website.

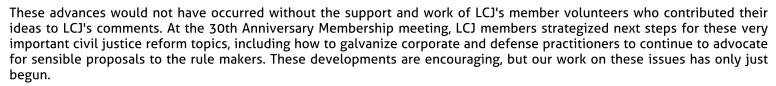


LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LAWYERS FOR CIVIL JUSTICE

2017 was a monumental year for LCJ. At the urging of its corporate members, LCJ asked the Advisory Committee on Civil Rules (the "Civil Rules Committee") to undertake a rulemaking effort focused on multi-district litigation (MDL) because, in many instances, MDL cases are governed by ad hoc procedures that deprive parties of clarity and uniformity. 30(b)(6) Committee Chair Brittany Schultz, Ford, continued her quest to reform that rule, filing two comments with the Civil Rules Committee suggesting substantive improvements. LCJ also continued to urge for mandatory disclosure of third party litigation funding (TPLF) in order to provide judges and parties much-needed transparency.

The result of these efforts came to fruition this past November. The Civil Rules Committee met November 7, 2017 and decided to:

- form a subcommittee to examine the need to amend the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure (FRCP) to ensure their application in MDL cases;
- proceed with drafting a possible amendment to Rule 30(b)(6) aimed at reducing costs and acrimony; and
- form a subcommittee to examine the need for disclosure of TPLF agreements.



With support, LCJ can continue to successfully advocate for civil justice reforms, improve its membership meetings, and develop more resources for members, like the first ever LCJ Annual Report. LCJ is a small association with a big impact. Please help us do even more in 2018.

Sincerely, Andrea B. Looney





REGIONAL MEETING RECAPS

European Regional Meeting and Joint BIICL Conference - London, England - September 26-27, 2017

The Joint IADC/BIICL Conference took place on September 26 and began with a panel discussion on global products regulation, followed by a networking reception. On September 27, Anna Cook of Bristows LLP, hosted an IADC Regional Meeting breakfast. Chris Holder and Vikram Khurana both of Bristows LLP, presented a captivating discussion on AI and robotics.

Southern Regional Meeting - Birmingham, Alabama USA - September 28, 2017 The Southern Regional Meeting took place September 28. Attendees gathered together for

a meet and greet professional networking reception. Thank you to Hosts Chris Berdy and Katie Powell, both of Butler Snow LLP.

Australian Regional Meeting - Sydney, Australia - October 12, 2017

The Australian Regional Meeting included core IADC member involvement with discussions on how to grow membership in Australia and Asia. A professional networking coffee reception was held in connection with the International Bar Association Annual Conference. Thank you to Hosts Ross Drinnan, Peter O'Donahoo, and Belinda Thompson, all of Allens.

Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting - Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania USA - November 16, 2017

Attendees engaged in an evening of social networking while exploring The Clemente Museum. A lively panel discussed autonomous vehicles and their impact on litigation. Thank you to Hosts Paul Koczan of Weber Gallagher and Joe Milcoff of FedEx Ground.

Northeast Regional Meeting – New York, New York USA – November 28, 2017

The Northeast Regional Meeting took place on November 28. Attendees heard from speakers Lawrence Pollack and Noah Hanft on ADR from the perspective of outside counsel, mediator, and in-house counsel. A professional networking reception followed. Thank you to Hosts Steven Sletten of Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP and John Dougherty of Haug Partners LLP.

For a list of upcoming Regional Meetings, please visit the Regional Meeting page on the IADC website.



New Website Feature! Committee Chair Corner

In August, the IADC debuted a new feature on the homepage of our website - the Committee Chair Corner.

Every two weeks, a new column will be posted from a different Committee Chair. The column will address topics that are important to the Committee and will also discuss what the Committee is doing within the Association. This will give great insight into what each of the 25+ Committees has to offer the membership.

Click any of the photos below to read the Chair's Committee Chair Corner article.

If you would like to join any of the IADC Substantive Law Committees, please email Maria Juarez, Registrar, at mjuarez@iadclaw.org.



Matt Keenan Social Justice Pro Bono



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Bob Redmond 2018 Midyear Meeting CLE Steering



Jessie Zeigler Product Liability



Jim King Trial Techniques and Tactics

IADC Merchandise Now Available!

The IADC is now selling merchandise! Visit our IADC store for branded items that are available for purchase that will help show your association pride. From t-shirts to luggage tags to mouse pads, we've got lots of options!

https://www.zazzle.com/iadc_store



BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

To learn about some of the key ways you can utilize the benefits of your membership, view our Welcome Membership Packet.



2017 Asian Regional Meeting Summary







IADC members and guests from Hong Kong, Beijing, Shenzhen, South Korea, Taiwan, the Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam, Austria, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany, and the United States enjoyed a successful Asian Regional Meeting in Hong Kong on October 19 and 20, 2017.

Attendees enjoyed a reception and dinner with signature IADC hospitality and spirit on the evening of Thursday, October 19 and then a full day of programming on a number of Asian-focused comparative legal programs and topics on Friday, October 20 hosted by Skadden Arps office and IADC member Chiann Bao. Members closed the Regional Meeting together Friday night with an evening cruise on a traditional Chinese Junk in the Hong Kong Harbour to enjoy the nightly Symphony of Lights. Many thanks to our hosts, sponsors, and speakers for a successful meeting.

The Asian Regional Meeting followed successful joint IADC programs earlier in the week sponsored by local bar associations and a number of other legal, academic, and business organizations in Shanghai and Shenzhen in which IADC leaders from Singapore, Germany, and the United States participated. Our special thanks, in particular, to Benchmark Chambers International, the Shenzhen Bar Association, and the Shanghai University for Political Science and Law for their role in organizing the events. We also recognizethe China Institute for Shanghai Cooperation Organization International Exchange and Judicial Cooperation (CNISCO) as a co-organizer of the Chinese Overseas Investment Legal Forum in Shanghai and the CIETAC – China International Economic and Arbitration and Trade Commission as a co-organizer of the IADC Chinese Corporate Counsel Symposium in Shenzhen. Both groups were instrumental in making the events successful.

These events were a successful step forward for the IADC's Asian Membership Initiative, which is designed to deliver greater IADC value to our members while expanding quality membership in Asia.



Submit Your Photos and Memories for the IADC's Centennial Celebration in 2020!



In 2020, the IADC will celebrate 100 years as a professional organization that provides education and business development and helps foster friendships for elite civil defense lawyers and insurance executives from around the world. The IADC Centennial Committee is working on a commemorative book and special activities to celebrate the IADC's robust history and its exciting future. We want all IADC members and families to be a part of the activities. We will post more as 2020 draws closer, but for now, please help us by sharing your memories and photos of the IADC.

Visit the Centennial Celebration page on the IADC website to submit a memory or photo or to view the gallery of submissions.

Volume 85 Number 1 *Defense Counsel Journal*Issue Now Online

Volume 85, Number 1 of the *Defense Counsel Journal* issue is now available online. You can access the contents of the entire issue by clicking here.

Articles include:

- Law Firm Nightmare: Clients Using Lawyer Services for Ponzi Schemes
- Update on Superstorm Sandy and the Inevitable Issues with Concurrent Causation
- Trade Secrets Litigation Concerning Foreign Acts
- Cigarettes and Coffee: Do Newly Discovered Sources of Diacetyl Spell the End of Popcorn Lung Litigation or the Beginning of a New Phase?
- The Seventh Circuit Widens a Split Among the Circuits on SLUSA Preemption of State Class Actions

The *Defense Counsel Journal* is now being published solely in an open-access digital format. You can view and reach the *Journal* anytime, free of charge, without needing a login or password on its new home on the IADC website. The *Journal* has the same high caliber of legal analysis in a new online format that makes it searchable and its resources and references more easily reachable.

You can find the *Defense Counsel Journal* under the "Publications & News" section of the IADC website.



President's Message continued...

and his Committee have the PLR program and speaker line-up set and ready to go for Chicago on May 17. The PLR is one more shining example of quality legal programming, coupled with time for professional networking for our insurance members, their guest claims professionals, and outside counsel.

The crown jewel Trial Academy at Stanford University is led this summer by Director Chris Kenney and Director-Elect Nancy Erfle. Registration for the 2018 Trial Academy is now open. Don't miss out. Last summer, we had a waiting list of ten students who had to defer to 2018. The IADC Trial Academy is a win-win proposition. It is a gift that never stops giving for the lucky lawyer that your firm sends to the Trial Academy, and it helps to make your firm's young defense lawyer a better trial lawyer.

I would also mention that there were two changes in 2017 that will help keep the IADC positioned as a preeminent defense bar association in the future. First, the Diversity Committee changed its name to better reflect the mission of our IADC diversity efforts. The new committee, Diversity and Inclusion, is led by Bonnie Mayfield. Bonnie has been working tirelessly for the IADC promoting diversity and inclusion and incorporating it into most aspects of the IADC. The Diversity and Inclusion Committee's members now participate in the work of all Standing and Substantive Committees to advance the IADC's dedication to the important goals of diversity and inclusion in everything that we do as an Association. The Diversity and Inclusion Committee is open to all IADC members, and I encourage your involvement in the work of this vital committee.

Finally, in late 2017, the Chair leadership of the important Amicus Curiae Committee was transitioned to Kendall Harrison from M.C. Sungaila. M.C. has led the Amicus Committee with distinction for many years. Under her leadership, the IADC was actively involved in submitting briefs on issues of importance to IADC members and their clients. Kendall and his Committee members are hard at work to ensure that IADC's Amicus Committee remains a strong and vibrant resource for putting forth the corporate and insurance defense voice for shaping law that impacts our members and their clients.

This is only a smattering of the exciting events to take place in 2018 for IADC members. I hope to see you in, and I'll say it again (from the frigid confines of Chicago), warm and sunny La Quinta in a few weeks where we can enjoy each others company and the outstanding CLE programming organized by Bob Redmond and his Midyear CLE Steering Committee members. Our Convention Chairs, Donna Lamontagne and Tom Patriarca, have put together an exciting format of social activities, including golf at the La Quinta championship golf courses. And the tennis and spa facilities at the resort are world class. Hope to see you soon.

Andy Kopon



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

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Grant Worden

Torys LLP

Toronto, ON Canada

In Memoriam

We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of these IADC members.

John Dinse

Burlington, Vermont USA

Charles Dooley

Chattanooga, Tennessee USA

James Foliart

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma USA

Williams Jones

Phoenix, Arizona USA

If you'd like to nominate someone for IADC membership, click here.

Click on a new member's name to view their firm or LinkedIn profile.



IADC Successes



The IADC was named the 2017 Outstanding Alliance Award recipient by the U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform (ILR). The award recognizes organizations whose outstanding partnership with ILR has contributed to making the United States and key foreign civil justice systems simpler, fairer, and efficient all. more for President-Elect Craig Thompson

accepted the award on behalf of the IADC at ILR's 18th Annual Legal Reform Summit on October 25 in Washington, D.C.

Matthew A. Taylor, of Duane Morris LLP, became the firm's Chairman and CEO.

M.C. Sungaila, a partner at Haynes and Boone LLP, was named Attorney of the Year by the Orange County Women Lawyers Association.

Sandra Corbett, QC, a partner at Field Law LLP, received DRI's Mary Massaron Award and a Women in Law Leadership Award from The Counsel Network and The Association of Women Lawyers.

Many IADC members were named to the 2018 list of Best Lawyers:

- David C. Anderson (shareholder at Collins Einhorn Farrell PC)
- Michael J. Sullivan (President and co-managing shareholder Collins Einhorn Farrell PC)
- David J. Beck (partner at Beck Redden)
- Kat Gallagher (partner at Beck Redden)
- David M. Gunn (partner at Beck Redden)
- Connie Pfieffer (partner at Beck Redden)

President-Elect **Craig Thompson**, a partner at Venable LLP, has been ranked among the "Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America" for 2018 by *Benchmark Litigation*.

Matthew R. Wojcik, shareholder at Bullivant Houser Bailey PC, helped score some very successful wins for the firm.

Board member **Spencer H. Silverglate**, Co-Founder and a Managing Partner of Clarke Silverglate, P.A., was recognized as "Lawyer of the Year" in Miami for management-side employment law by *The Best Lawyers in America*.

Todd Smyth, of Smyth Whitley, LLC, obtained a defense verdict on behalf of an ophthalmologist and his practice in September 2017.



IADC Successes

IADC members **Stuart Clark, Daan Lunsingh Scheurleer**, and **S. Gordon McKee** presented at the Institute for Legal Reform conference. **Mr. McKee**, a partner at Blakes Law Firm, and his eDiscovery partner Anne Glover presented a draft paper at the Vanderbilt Law Review Symposium on The Future of Discovery.

Peter J. Pizzi, a partner at Walsh Pizzi O'Reilly Falanga LLP, co-authored an article on ISO code for e-discovery for *New York Law Journal*.

Paul Lefebvre, a partner at Hanotiau & van den Berg, was ranked as one of the ten leading individuals for dispute resolution in Belgium by *Legal 500*.

Karen Glickstien, a shareholder at Polsinelli PC, has been named one of the Top 50 Female Lawyers in Missouri and Kansas by *Super Lawyers*, as well as one of the Top 100 Lawyers in Missouri and Kansas by *Super Lawyers*.

Kirstin L. Abel was named Bodyfelt Mount's managing partner.

Charles W. Browning, Mary Massaron, and **Scott W. Sirich**, all partners at Plunkett Cooney in Bloomfield Hills, MI, have been recognized as "Top Lawyers" by *DBusiness* magazine.

2018 Who's Who Legal has named many IADC members as Thought Leaders. For a list of members and what they were recognized for, click here.

Click on the member's name to view their firm or LinkedIn profile.

IADC In The News

What to Do When the Contractor Is Asked to Become the Designer? by Robert J. Kaler (September 2017)

Digital disruption and the new normal: Reducing cyberexposures through collaboration by Elizabeth S. Fitch (September 22, 2017)

Claims and Defenses to the Owner's Actions by Christopher S. Drewry (October 2017)

4 Ways GCs Can Help Law Firms Become More Diverse In 2018 featuring Bonnie Mayfield (January 1, 2018)

The IADC is investing resources into a PR firm to help place IADC members as experts in articles. Articles are linked if we have permission to share them.



IADC RESOURCES Here are the latest IADC resources since the last issue of the Docket:

WEBINARS

- The Inadvertent Lawyer: Expanding Duties to Third Parties: September 20 (Presentation and Recording)
- Deep Pocket Jurisprudence: How to Spot It and Stop It: September 27 (Presentation and Recording)
- Navigating the FDA Communications Guidances: Best Practices for Pharmaceutical Sales and Marketing Communications with Physicians: October 4 (Presentation and Recording)
- Phoning It In...Issues of Liability, Insurance Coverage, and Administrative Regulation in Telemedicine: October 11 (Presentation and Recording)
- In-House Expectation of Outside Counsel: A Peek Behind the Curtain: October 18 (Presentation and Recording)
- Defending EEOC Subpoena Enforcement Actions: Nuts and Bolts: October 25 (Presentation and Recording)
- Moving Diversity and Inclusion Forward: A Conversation with Connie Lewis Lensing: November 1 (Presentation and Recording)
- Alternative Fee Arrangements Bespoke or Broken?: November 15 (Presentation and Recording)
- Common Issues in Product Liability and Toxic Tort Appeals and How to Preserve Them at Trial: December 13 (Presentation and Recording)
- The Role of a Surety in the Context of a Construction Project: December 20 (Presentation and Recording)

COMMITTEE NEWSLETTERS

From September 14 through January 7, IADC Committees published 34 newsletters. The following Committees published newsletters during this time: Appellate Practice; Business Litigation; Civil Justice Response; Corporate Counsel; Cyber Security, Data Privacy and Technology; Diversity and Inclusion; Drug Device and Biotechnology; Employment Law; Insurance and Reinsurance; International Arbitration; Medical Defense and Health Law; Product Liability; Professional Liability; Toxic and Hazardous Substances Litigation; and Trial Techniques and Tactics. To view the newsletters, please click on the Committee to go to its Committee Business page where the newsletters are archived. If you would like to join a Substantive Law Committee, please email Maria Juarez, Registrar, at mjuarez@iadclaw.org.

AMICUS CURIAE BRIEFS

On October 10, 2017, the IADC filed an amicus brief in Brian Rafferty v. Merck & Co., Inc., and Sidney Rubenstein. It can be found here.

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

The Intellectual Property Committee created a Duty to Disclose Guide. It provides information on steps to take in order to satisfy the disclosure process in a patent application matter. You can access the guide, along with other quick reference guides, under the Members Only section of the IADC website.



Upcoming Events

February 10-15, 2018

Midyear Meeting

La Quinta Resort and Club

La Quinta, California USA

April 25, 2018

Corporate Counsel Training Academy

The Ritz-Carlton Chicago, Illinois USA

April 26-27, 2018

Corporate Counsel College

The Ritz-Carlton Chicago, Illinois USA

May 17, 2018

Professional Liability

Roundtable

University of Chicago Chicago, Illinois USA

For more information about Regional Meetings, Webinars, or these events, visit our Upcoming Events page.





The Foundation of the IADC will be holding its Silent Auction at the 2018 Midyear Meeting. The auction will be art-focused, with a few other high-value items included as well.

Keep your eyes out for the auction information booklet that will be emailed soon that will give information on everything that will be available.

JOIN THE CONVERSATION!





