

2021-2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND BOARD MEMBERS

AIPF is pleased to announce the Board of Directors and Board Members for 2021-2022. The following board members have been selected to renew or have been newly selected for a two-year term (i.e. 2021-2023): Blair Barbieri, *Hovey Williams*; Matthew Stark, *Price Heneveld*; Kenneth Philp, *Clifford Gouldson Lawyers*; Michael Battaglia, *Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck*.



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The Board of Directors for 2021 – 2022 will consist of Christopher Agrawal as President, Lynn Jordan as Vice-President, Blair Barbieri as Treasurer, and Carlos Olarte as Secretary.

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The Board will also include Brett Lunn, *FB Rice*, as Immediate Past-President and Eric Marzluf, as Counsel.

For more information regarding our Board of Directors, visit our webpage by clicking the link below.

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2021 ANNUAL MEETING

Last month, AIPF hosted the Annual Meeting and dove deep inside the workings of an IP boutique firm. How do firms determine who will make partner and how they are compensated? What are firms doing to ensure appropriate succession plans? What are the ethics regarding attorney moves and mergers? These and other front-of-mind, but rarely addressed, topics were analyzed and discussed, as well as ethical and practical issues when working with and hiring foreign counsel and third-party vendors. The agenda featured relevant topics in IP law, and was comprised of informative lectures, panel discussions, and interactive workshops. Overall, it offered excellent opportunities to engage partners, senior attorneys, and business decision-makers through our interactive programming and networking functions. Additionally, AIPF would like to thank the sponsors who have helped make this Annual Meeting a success!

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A New Process for Geographical Indications in Venezuela

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By **Esther Bergel** and **Ricardo E. Antequera**

Through a decision effective as of December 28, 2020, the Venezuelan Trademark Office (SAPI) has formally stated a new procedure for the granting of Geographical Indications in the country.

The legal ground for this new procedure is the TRIPS Agreement, particularly, its Part II - Section 3, related to harmonization of regulations of Geographical Indications.

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Copyright in Architectural Works

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By **Dr. Cristina Hernández-Martí Pérez**

The Intellectual Property Act (hereinafter LPI 1996) states that the ownership of the work corresponds to the author, that is to say, to its “creator”. Therefore, the architect-designer acquires the intellectual property rights by the fact of being the author of the work that later takes shape in a building. However, intellectual property does not necessarily cover all the elements of a building, but only those elements that are creative and original and reflect the personality of the author. Thus, for example, in a building intended for housing, the property of the author does not extend to the inner side of the house because, in general terms, house will have the elements required by its functionality.

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Deadline:

Thursday, October 28, 2021

Interested in joining a committee? AIPF committee enrollment is now open for 2021-2022. Current committees include: Boutique Practice Committee, Patent Committee, Trademark Committee, and the Membership Committee. You may also indicate whether you would like to join more than one committee.

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Raimundo Abello - Llanos on the occasion of his retirement.

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September 15, 2021

Curtis Dodd & Arty Rajendra

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OR

-The firm devotes a majority of its practice to intellectual property law

**AIPF annual membership runs from January 1 to December 31 and is prorated from January 1.
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