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Intellectual Property in the Fashion Industry

Handbags at dawn: protecting your clients and their designs

22 September 2011, London

9.00 Registration and Coffee9.30 Chairman's Welcome and

Chairman's Welcome and Introduction Jeremy Phillips, Olswang

9.45 Fashion Marks, Names and Goodwill

- How far can designers, endorsers and sponsors protect their own names?
- What happens when a person loses the right to their own name?
- What happens when a designer's actions threaten the reputation of a mark?

Simone Blakeney, Clifford Chance LLP

10.30 Dealing with the Creatives

- Keeping designers under contract: restrictive covenants and post-contractual restraints
- Employment versus independent consultancy: pros and cons

John Hull, Memery Crystal

11.15 Coffee

11.30 Fashion Imports

- Trade in fashion goods within the single market
- Customs and border measures
- EU case law and the messages we can learn from it

Catherine Lee

12.00 Fashion IP versus Artistic Freedom

- Use of IP in art: can free speech set aside IP?
- Louis Vuitton v Nadia Plesner: a blow-by-blow account

Jens van den Brink, Kennedy van der Laan, Amsterdam

12.45 Questions

1.00 Lunch

2.00 "Red Soles": Shrewd Market Move or Brand Suicide

 Christian Louboutin v Yves Saint Laurent: a lawyer's assessment

6 Hours CPD

 Litigation risk and brand value: a business assessment

Mary-Ellen Field, Brand Finance and Annsley Merelle Ward, Collyer Bristow LLP

2.50 **Tea**

^{3.05} "Too fast to live, too young to die": *Westwood v Knight* and the Future of Fashion?

- Entering the orbit of the Patents County Court
- Dealing with an unrepresented party

Rosie Burbidge, Olswang LLP

3.50 Litigating Designs and Fashion Brands: Where and How?

- Which court options are available?
- How are the new Patents County Court rules working?
- Suing and being sued in the fashion sector: how much does it cost and who can afford it?

Henry Ward, 8 New Square

4.45 Chairman's Concluding Remarks and Questions

5.00 Conference Close

Intellectual Property in the Fashion Industry

From brand logo to stitching on a handbag, fashion designers and their legal advisers are under increasing pressure to protect their designs and their business

This one day conference focuses on all the key areas of concern when advising the fashion sector including marketing and advertising fashion products, the particular problems of online sales and how to protect design rights.

Chairman:

Jeremy Phillips is intellectual property consultant, Olswang. He is Honorary Research Fellow, Intellectual Property Institute, editor of The European Trade Mark Reports and Journal of Intellectual Property Law and Practice and co-founded the IPKat weblog. He also contributes to the Art & Artifice blog.

Speakers:

Simone Blakeney has recently joined the Intellectual Property team at Clifford Chance. She has experience in advising on a wide variety of IP matters, including trade marks, passing off, copyright and design issues. Simone's practice covers a range of sectors, including the fashion industry.

Jens van den Brink studied law in Amsterdam, London and New York and practices at Kennedy Van der Laan's IP/media department in Amsterdam, which has strong fashion industry. IT and media practices, Jens specializes in work for the media. with a focus on free speech and copyright. His clients include major newspapers, publishers, broadcasters and blogs, and he acted for Plesner in the dispute with Louis Vuitton. Jens is guest lecturer in media law at various Dutch universities and editor-in-chief of media law blog www.mediareport.nl.

Rosie Burbidge is an associate in the intellectual property group of Olswang LLP. Rosie is a big fan of fashion, particularly where it intersects with the world of art. She feeds her interest in art and the law through her contributions to the Art & Artifice blog

Mary-Ellen Field has created, managed, protected and monetized intellectual property rights throughout the world for 30 years. She has worked on major international brand transactions licensing and franchising projects in the fashion and beauty sectors. She has been retained as an expert witness in numerous high profile trade mark disputes. She has launched and managed brands in the premium and luxury and masstige markets in Europe, Australia, the USA and Russia.

John Hull is head of IP at Memery Crystal LLP. He has wide experience in this field and has a particular interest in information rights, the law of confidence, data privacy and in the commercialisation of IP. He is the author of numerous articles in professional and academic journals; is Visiting Professorial Fellow at Queen Mary, the University of London, a visiting lecturer at the Institute of Brand and Innovation law at UCL and visiting lecturer at the IP Academy in Singapore.

Catherine Lee is passionate about IP, with a special interest in branding, creative content and technology. She is a qualified solicitor and trade mark attorney (in Australia) and a solicitor and barrister (in England and Wales). She also holds a DPhil in copyright law from the University of Oxford and is proud to be an IPKat.

Annsley Merelle Ward specialises in intellectual property and reputation management litigation with particular emphasis in the fashion, cultural heritage and entertainment sectors. With knowledge of IP law in the US and on the continent, her work often involves multi-jurisdictional copyright, design right and trade mark disputes. She writes for leading intellectual property blog, IPKat and has also presented papers and seminars at international conferences.

Henry Ward is a member of 8 New Square where his practice covers many aspects of intellectual property law, including patents, copyright and designs, trade marks, confidential information and malicious falsehood. He "cuts through the intricacies and delivers a clear message to clients," and "exudes authority, as he remains calm under pressure and firm in his submissions," according to Chambers.

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