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Registration & Coffee
25 June 2015 09.00

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Topics covered at this seminar:

- US Patent Law Update
- Claim Interpretation
- Subject Matter Eligibility
- Sufficiency of Disclosure
- Novelty, Nonobviousness, Utility
- Inventorship
- Double Patenting
- Inequitable Conduct and the Duty of Candor
- Procedural aspects of US Patent Prosecution
- Interferences and Derivation Proceedings
- Post-grant Review under the AIA
- Reexamination and Supplemental Examination
- Reissues
- Direct and Indirect Infringement
- Patent Litigation

COURSE LEADERS:

James V. Suggs and **Nicole E. Reifman**
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INTRODUCTION

US and European patent practice differs in many essential ways. The comprehensive programme of this course, with practical examples, will highlight and explain these differences from the US point of view, giving delegates a better understanding of the US system, and enabling them to work more effectively with their US counterparts.

This interactive seminar will explain:

- The latest changes in statutory law
- Recent Federal Circuit and Supreme Court jurisprudence
- Claim construction
- Successful US claim drafting
- Subject Matter Eligibility
- Sufficiency of the specification
- Nonobviousness
- Double Patenting
- Fulfilling the Duty of Candor
- Patent prosecution: Rules, Regulations and Best practices
- Interference and derivation
- Post-grant procedures
- Direct and Indirect Infringement
- Patent Litigation

And much more!

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Corporate Patent Counsel
- Patent Attorneys from corporate and private practice
- Intellectual Property Consultants
- Patent Managers and Engineers
- Company Legal Advisers
- All those involved with patent protection in the United States

And anyone drafting patent applications that might serve as a priority application in the US

This course merits **11 hours CPD** and may also be relevant training under the **IPReg CPD self-accreditation scheme**

SPEAKERS

James V. Suggs is a partner in the Chicago intellectual property law firm of MBHB, LLP, where he practices patent law. He prepares and prosecutes patent applications, prepares opinions of counsel, performs patent due diligence studies and provides patent counselling in a variety of technologies, including pharmaceutical, chemical, materials science, integrated optics, and related technologies. His litigation experience includes federal district court and appellate practice as well as advocacy in forums such as the International Trade Commission, and spans a diverse range of technologies.

Nicole E. Reifman is a partner in the Chicago intellectual property law firm of MBHB, LLP, and has diverse experience in obtaining, evaluating, and enforcing intellectual property. Ms. Reifman has experience in all phases of patent preparation and prosecution and concentrates in representing clients in the mechanical and electrical arts. She also has experience in all phases of patent litigation. Ms. Reifman also provides counselling regarding the procurement, enforcement, and licensing of intellectual property rights, including trademark and copyright issues.

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Programme

- **Providing the latest state of US Patent Law, including the latest legislative changes under the America Invents Act, recent and pending US Supreme and other Court decisions of importance, and current happenings in the USPTO**
- **Giving specification and claim drafting tips to give your applications a solid footing for US prosecution and enforcement.**
- ▶ **Claim Construction**
- ▶ **35 U.S.C. § 112 - Specification, Enablement, Written Description, Claims**
- ▶ **35 U.S.C. § 101 - Patentable Subject Matter**
- ▶ **35 U.S.C. § 101 - Utility**
- ▶ **35 U.S.C. § 102 - Novelty**
 - All elements rule
 - Analysis of pre-AIA 35 U.S.C. § 102(a)-(g)
 - Analysis of post-AIA 35 § 102 - comparison and contrast with pre-AIA law
 - How the USPTO is adapting to change to 'first-to-file' system
- ▶ **35 U.S.C. § 103 - Non-obviousness**
 - The factual inquiries of *Graham v. John Deere*
 - The Supreme Court's latest guidance - *KSR v. Teleflex*
 - Responding to obviousness rejections in the USPTO
 - Common ownership, joint development and obviousness
 - Obviousness under the AIA - how changes in the definition of prior art affect obviousness determinations
- ▶ **Patent Prosecution**
 - Provisional applications
 - Continuation and Continuation-in-Part applications
 - Restriction Practice and Divisional applications
 - Patent term and Patent term adjustment
 - Accelerated and Prioritised Examination
 - Patent Prosecution Highway
- ▶ **Obviousness-Type Double Patenting**
- ▶ **The Duty of Candor**
 - Avoiding inequitable conduct
 - Time and manner of citing prior art
 - Disclosure of related prosecution
- ▶ **Inventorship**
- ▶ **Interference and Derivation Proceedings**
 - Interferences - pre-AIA applications
 - Conception and reduction to practice
 - Derivation proceedings in post-AIA applications, as compared to interferences
 - Best practices in documenting conception, diligence and reduction to practice
- ▶ **Post Issue Practice**
 - Post-grant review under the AIA
 - Re-examination procedure and strategy
 - Supplemental examination
 - Re-issue
 - Certificates of Correction
- ▶ **35 U.S.C. § 271 - Infringement**
 - *Markman* proceedings in the courts
 - Literal Infringement
 - Doctrine of Equivalents analysis
 - Indirect Infringement - liability for infringement by others
 - Joint infringement - method claims with a third-party performing a "step"
 - Infringement by importation into the US - 35 U.S.C. § 271(g)
 - Willful infringement
 - Notice of Infringement preparation, and response: Declaratory Judgments
 - Certificates of Correction
- ▶ **Patent Litigation and the Liberal Scope of Discovery**
- ▶ **Remedies - to the Victor Belong the Spoils**
 - Damages: How determined, how to factor into your claim drafting
 - Injunctions

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