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A Diverse Selection of Speakers to be Featured at ABA Annual Meeting

CHICAGO, Aug. 2, 2007—From Supreme Court justices to members of Congress to noted authors and actors, the American Bar Association Annual Meeting in San Francisco, Aug. 9-14, will feature many of the nation's leading legal, industry and government professionals, including U.S. Supreme Court Justices **Stephen G. Breyer** and **Anthony M. Kennedy**.

Justice Breyer is slated to be the keynote speaker at the ABA Opening Assembly on Aug. 11 at 5:30 p.m., Louise M. Davies Symphony Hall, 201 Van Ness Avenue. Also, Mayor of San Francisco **Gavin Newsom** will make welcoming remarks. Earlier that day, Justice Breyer will be honored at a noon luncheon by the ABA Rule of Law Initiative for his extraordinary commitment to the promotion of the rule of law in developing areas of the world. The presentation of the award is to be held at the Moscone West Convention Center, Ballroom, 3rd floor.

A leading advocate for the advancement of the rule of law around the world, **Justice Kennedy** is to be awarded the ABA Medal, the Association's highest honor, on Aug. 13 at 3 p.m. during the meeting of the policy-making 546-member ABA House of Delegates at the Moscone West Convention Center.

In addition, news conferences will be held by ABA President **Karen J. Mathis** and President Elect **William H. Neukom**. Mathis will touch on two of her presidential initiatives — Youth at Risk and the Rule of Law — on Aug. 10 at 9:30 a.m., San Francisco Marriott. Neukom, who will become ABA president at the adjournment of this meeting, will address his upcoming initiative, The World Justice Project, on Aug. 14 at 9 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center.

Other noteworthy speakers include:

Author of such novels as *The Andromeda Strain* and *Jurassic Park*, **Michael Crichton** will discuss how he tackled legal issues related to the patenting of genes in "Who Owns Your Genes? How Gene Patents Are Trampling Individual Rights" on Aug. 12 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Moscone West Convention Center

U.S. Reps. **Daniel Lungren** and **Ed Perlmutter** will participate in "Critical Issues in Homeland Security—View from the 110th Congress" on Aug. 12 from 8 – 9:30 a.m. at the Moscone West Convention Center

U.S. Rep. **Pete Stark** will be a panelist in "Enhancing Legal Responses to Youth Transitioning from Foster Care" on Aug. 11 from 8:30–10 a.m. at Moscone West Convention Center, Room 3014, 3rd floor

Tippi Hedren — Star of Alfred Hitchcock's "The Birds" and founder of The Roar Foundation, will take part in the program "How to Represent Petey: Animals in Entertainment" from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 3018, 3rd floor.

During the Annual Meeting, a Press Room for working journalists will be set up at the Moscone West Convention Center and will be open for on-site media registration at 8 a.m. on Aug. 9. Thereafter the press room will be open daily from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., and will close one hour after the adjournment of the House of Delegates on Aug. 14. Beginning Aug. 9, the telephone number for the on-site Press Room will be 415/348-4558.

Prior to the meeting reporters can register online at <http://www.abanet.org/media/meetings/annual07.shtml>. Accredited reporters are welcome to cover the Meeting for free. Credential guidelines are at www.abanews.org/credentials.html.

ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS

Aug. 9

Fred W. Alvarez — Past president, Bar Association of San Francisco, Palo Alto, Calif.; “Minority Lawyers: Breaking the Glass Ceiling of Bar Association Leadership — How, Where, and Why” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

David Anderman — Senior Director of Business Affairs, Lucasfilm Ltd., San Francisco; “The Whole World Is Watching!” Privacy, Copyright and Parental Control in the Age of YouTube, MySpace and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.–noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor

Drew S. Days III — Alfred M. Rankin, Professor of Law at Yale Law School and former U.S. Solicitor General, New Haven, Conn.; “The Roberts Court — Where It’s Been and Where It’s Going” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 3022, 3rd floor

Manjot Dhanjal — Director of Equality and Diversity, Law Society of England and Wales, London, England; “Minority Lawyers: Breaking the Glass Ceiling of Bar Association Leadership — How, Where, and Why” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Ernestine Gray — Chief Judge, Orleans Parish Juvenile Court, New Orleans.; “Fair and Impartial Courts—Another Perspective?” from 1–3:30 p.m., San Francisco Marriott, Ballroom Salons 13/14/15, Lower B2 level (Judge Gray will also speak at “It Takes a Village: Getting Our Youth Back in School and Out of Court” on Aug. 9 and “Back to the Future: Forty Years of *In re Gault*” on Aug. 11)

Tanya Greig — Vice President, Business Affairs and Administration, Interscope/Geffen/A&M Records, San Francisco; “The Whole World Is Watching!” Privacy, Copyright and Parental Control in the Age of YouTube, MySpace and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.–noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor

Nicole Harris — Corporate Counsel, Pacific Gas and Electric, San Francisco; “Micro-Inequities: The In-House Perspective” from 3:45–5:15 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Judith S. Kaye — Chief Judge of the State of New York and Honorary Chair of the Second Season Commission, New York, “Second Season of Service: Making Your Time and Talent Count” from 10:30–noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2001/2003, 2nd floor

Zahavah Levine — General Counsel, Google/YouTube, San Bruno, Calif.; “The Whole World Is Watching!” Privacy, Copyright and Parental Control in the Age of YouTube, MySpace and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.–noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor

Kim Rivera — Vice President and Associate General Counsel, Compliance and International, Clorox, Oakland, Calif.; “Micro-inequities: The Perspective from In-House and Law Firms” from 3:45–5:15 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Kenneth W. Starr — Former U.S. Solicitor General and Duane and Kelly Roberts Dean and Professor of Law, Pepperdine University School of Law, Malibu, Calif.; “The Roberts Court—Where It’s Been and Where It’s Going” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 3022, 3rd floor

Fred von Lohmann — Senior Staff Attorney, Electronic Frontier Foundation, San Francisco; “The Whole World Is Watching!” Privacy, Copyright and Parental Control in the Age of YouTube, MySpace and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.–noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor (von Lohmann will also speak at “Emerging Antitrust and Misuse Theories Involving the Licensing and Enforcement of Copyrights in Cyberspace” on Aug. 10)

Aug. 10

James Brosnahan — Lawyer for “America Taliban” John Walker Lindh, San Francisco; “Invasion of the Personal Information Snatchers’ Pretexting, Caller ID Spoofing and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.– noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor (Brosnahan will also speak at “Lying Clients and Untruthful Witnesses” on Aug. 9)

Jeff Gearhart — Vice President and General Counsel, Corporate Division, Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., Bentonville, Ark.; “Talking About Race” from 8:30–10 a.m., Room 2004, 2nd floor

John L. Geesman — Commissioner, California Energy Commission, Sacramento, Calif.; “Climate Change and Land Use—California Strategies” from 2:15–3:30 p.m., Hilton San Francisco, Yosemite Room B, Ballroom level

Sandra Goldberg — Deputy Attorney General, State of California, Oakland, Calif.; “Climate Change and Land Use—California Strategies” from 2:15–3:30 p.m., Hilton San Francisco, Yosemite Room B, Ballroom level

Henry “Hank” Greely — Professor, Department of Genetics, Stanford Law School and Member of the California Stem Cell Committee for the Governor of California, Stanford, Calif.; “Life Sciences and the Law-Hit Fast Forward: Think You Won’t Be Able to Enhance Your Intellect as You Age, and Have a Law Partner Who’s a Humanoid Robot? Think Again!” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2024, 2nd floor

Kamala D. Harris — District Attorney of San Francisco; “International Human Rights Award and Passing of the Gavel Luncheon” from 12:15–1:45 p.m.; Westin San Francisco, Metropolitan III, 2nd floor

Hiroshi Ishiguro, Ph.D. — Professor, Osaka University, Graduate School of Engineering, Department of Adaptive Machine Systems and Group Leader ATR Intelligent Robotics and Communication Laboratories, Suita, Osaka, Japan; “Life Sciences and the Law-Hit Fast Forward: Think You Won’t Be Able to Enhance Your Intellect as You Age, and Have a Law Partner Who’s a Humanoid Robot? Think Again!” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2024, 2nd floor

Gregory P. Luib — Assistant Director, Office of Policy Planning, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C.; “Net Neutrality and the Future of the Internet — What It Means to You and Your Clients” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Room of the Dons, Lobby level

James W. McElhaney — Best-selling ABA author, Chama, N.M.; “Opening Statements and Closing Arguments with James W. McElhaney” from 2–4 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2001/2003, 2nd floor

Robert Morgester — Deputy Attorney General, State of California, Sacramento, Calif.; “Invasion of the Personal Information Snatchers’ Pretexting, Caller ID Spoofing and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.– noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor

Christopher Painter — Principal Deputy Chief, Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C.; “Invasion of the Personal Information Snatchers’ Pretexting, Caller ID Spoofing and Beyond” from 10:30 a.m.– noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor

Elizabeth Rindskopf Parker — Dean, McGeorge School of Law and Former General Counsel for the National Security Agency and the Central Intelligence Agency Sacramento, Calif.; “GWOT vs. SAVE or a New Legal Framework? Is it a Global War on Terrorism or a Struggle Against Violent Extremism?” from 9–11 a.m., San Francisco Marriott, Pacific Suite, 4th floor

Harvey Rishikof — Visiting Professor of Law and National Security Studies, National War College, Washington, D.C.; “GWOT vs. SAVE or a New Legal Framework? Is it a Global War on Terrorism or a Struggle Against Violent Extremism?” from 9–11 a.m. at the San Francisco Marriott, Pacific Suite, 4th floor

Mitch Singer — Chief Technology Officer, Sony Pictures Entertainment, Culver City, Calif.; “Emerging Antitrust and Misuse Theories Involving the Licensing and Enforcement of Copyrights in Cyberspace” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2018, 2nd floor

Kenneth Wainstein — Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, Washington, D.C.; “GWOT vs. SAVE or a New Legal Framework? Is it a Global War on Terrorism or a Struggle against Violent Extremism?” from 9 –11 a.m., San Francisco Marriott, Pacific Suite, 4th floor

Irene Wu — Director of Research, Multilateral Negotiations and Industry Analysis Branch, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C.; “Net Neutrality and the Future of the Internet — What It Means to You and Your Clients” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Room of the Dons, Lobby level

Deborah Wong Yang — Former U.S. Attorney for the Central District of California, Los Angeles; “Baseball, BALCO and the First Amendment” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 3024, 3rd floor

Aug. 11

Robert Abrams — Former New York State Attorney General, Lake Success, N.Y.; “On the Docket: The New Supreme Court” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2009, 2nd floor

Jane Ahrens — Senior Counsel, Division of Consumer and Community Affairs, Federal Reserve Board, Washington, D.C.; “Truth in Lending” from 1:45–2:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Terrace room, Terrace level

Dennis Archer — Former Mayor of Detroit, Former Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court and Past President of the ABA, Detroit, Mich.; “Small Firm/Sole Practitioners and Lawyer Discipline—Myths and Realities” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2001/2003, 2nd floor

Poonam Bhari — Barrister, Chambers of John Foy QC, London, England; “Families, Culture, and the Law” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2022, 2nd floor

Phyllis C. Borzi — Research Professor, Department of Health Policy, School of Public Health and Health Services, The George Washington University Medical Center, Washington, D.C.; “The Emergence of and Issues Facing Retail Healthcare and Employer-Based Healthcare” from 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, California/Powell, California street level

John Bowman — Chief Counsel, Office of Thrift Supervision, Washington, D.C.; “Financial Holding Companies, Legislation and Regulation and Savings Institutions Joint Subcommittee Meeting” from 9–10:30 a.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Six Continents, Mezzanine level

Wynn Coggins — Director of Art Unit 3600, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, Washington, D.C.; “Patenting Tax-Related Inventions: What’s All the Fuss About?” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2022, 2nd floor

Karen Copenhaver — Former Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Black Duck Software, Inc.; “Business Success Using Open Source Software” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Michael Finn — Regional Director, OTS West Region, Office of Thrift Supervision, Daly City, Calif.; “Financial Holding Companies, Legislation and Regulation and Savings Institutions Joint Subcommittee Meeting” from 9–10:30 a.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Six Continents, Mezzanine level

James Grippando — Lawyer and Author, Coral Gables, Fla.; “Dred Scott! 150 Years Later” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2010, 2nd floor

Dawn Haghighi — Counsel, Princess Cruise Lines and Chairman, National U.S., Santa Clarita, Calif.; “Banking on China” from 2:30–4:30 p.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Room of the Dons, Lobby level

Daniel L. Hogans — Attorney Advisor, Office of Benefits Tax Counsel, Dept. of Treasury, Washington, D.C.; “The New Regulatory Framework for Executive Deferred Compensation: Complying with the Final 409A Regulations” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2006, 2nd floor

Belinda Johns — Senior Assistant Attorney General, State of California, State of California Office of the Attorney General, San Francisco; “Basics, Best Practices, and Trends in Nonprofit Corporate Governance” from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, French, Lobby level

Russell D. Jura — Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Yamaha Motor Corporation USA, Cypress, Calif.; “When Different Cultures Meet: Mastering Cross-Cultural Considerations in Business and Litigation” from 2:30–4:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

David Kappos — Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, IBM Corporation, Markham, Ontario; “Business Success Using Open Source Software” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Chris Kelly — Vice President and Chief Privacy Officer, Facebook, Palo Alto, Calif.; “Privacy, Security and Data Management” from 1–2 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Vanderbilt, Terrace level (Kelly will also speak at the Business Law Luncheon on Aug. 10 and “The Whole World Is Watching!” Privacy, Copyright and Parental Control in the Age of YouTube, MySpace and Beyond” on Aug. 9)

Margaret McKeown — Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, San Diego, Calif.; “ABA Section of Intellectual Property Luncheon” from noon–1:30 p.m., Nikko, Nikko Ballroom III, 3rd floor

David Marr — Chief Counsel, Open Source Group and Global Engineering, Sun Microsystems, Inc., Santa Clara, Calif.; “Business Success Using Open Source Software” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Judith Miller — General Counsel, Bechtel Corporation, San Francisco; “The New Age of Corporate Investigations” from 10:30 a.m. – noon, Moscone West Convention Center, Rooms 2014/2016, 2nd floor

Kathleen O’ Day — Deputy General Counsel, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington, D.C.; “Financial Holding Companies, Legislation and Regulation and Savings Institutions Joint Subcommittee Meeting” from 9–10:30 a.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Six Continents, Mezzanine level

Marlon Quintanilla Paz — Senior Counsel to the Director, Division of Market Regulation, U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C.; “Global Capital Markets: Breaking Down Barriers” from 8:30– 10 a.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Nancy Saracino — Chief Deputy Director of the California Department of Water Resources, Folsom, Calif.; “Public Utility, Communications and Transportation Law Section Luncheon — Greening the Grid: Challenges and Opportunities” from 12:30–2 p.m., Four Seasons, Yerba Buena room A, Lobby level

Mark L. Shurtleff — Attorney General, State of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah; “Dred Scott! 150 years later” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2010, 2nd floor

Myron T. Steele — Chief Justice, The Supreme Court of Delaware, Wilmington, Del.; “Taming the Stock Option Beast: The Cause, Remediation and Prevention of Stock Option Improprieties” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Gold, Lobby level

Sandra Thompson — Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court, Torrance, Calif.; “Being the Best Lawyers (Who Also Happen to Be Minority Women) We Can Be: Trading Strategies and Sharing Secrets Among the Baby Boomers, Gen X and Gen Y” from 2:30–4 p.m., Grand Hyatt, Plaza Ballroom West, Ballroom Level

Stephen Weber — Professor of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, Calif.; “Business Success Using Open Source Software” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Erik Wilbers — Acting Director, World Intellectual Property Organization Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva, Switzerland; “Arbitration and Mediation of Intellectual Property Disputes Today” from 3:45–5:45 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2004, 2nd floor

Aug. 12

Lori Andrews — Author of *Sequence* and *Silent Assassin*, and Chicago-Kent College of Law Professor, Chicago; “Who Owns Your Genes? How Gene Patents Are Trampling Individual Rights” from 2-3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2002, 2nd floor

Joseph P. Borg — President, North American Securities Administrators, Montgomery, Ala.; “The Regulatory ‘Civil War’ Over Variable and Equity Indexed Annuity Sales and Supervision” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Valerie Calloway — Chief Intellectual Property Counsel, Polymer Group, Inc., Charlotte, N.C.; “International Harmonization — Managing IP Assets on a Global Basis” from 2–3:30 p.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Rudy Gadre — Vice President and General Counsel, Facebook, Inc., Palo Alto, Calif.; “Private Company In-House Counsel — Nobody Knows the Troubles I’ve Seen” from 8–10 a.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Peacock Court, Lobby level

Emily P. Gordy — Senior Vice President, Enforcement, National Association of Securities Dealers, Washington, D.C.; “The Regulatory “Civil War” Over Variable and Equity Indexed Annuity Sales and Supervision” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Paul J. Kaufman — General Counsel, PPM Energy, Inc., Portland, Ore.; “Cajun Cookin’ in the Chilly City? Hot Topics Heating Up Corporate Counsel Today” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., InterContinental Mark Hopkins, Peacock Court, Lobby level

Sara A. Kelsey — General Counsel, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Washington, D.C.; “Subprime Shift — Crisis or Market Correction: Discussion of Legal, Regulatory and Policy Implications” from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom level

Martin J. Murphy — Assistant Regional Director, Pacific Regional Office, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, Los Angeles; “The Regulatory ‘Civil War’ Over Variable and Equity Indexed Annuity Sales and Supervision” from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Zoe-Vonna Palmrose — Deputy Chief Accountant, U.S. Securities & Exchange Commission, Washington, D.C.; “Reporting on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting — How Has it Changed with the SEC’s New Guidance and the PCAOB’s New Standard?” from 2:30–4:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Fountain, Lobby level

Michael Rodenbaugh — Senior Legal Director, Yahoo, Inc., Sunnyvale, Calif.; “International Harmonization: Managing IP Assets on a Global Basis” from 2–3:30 p.m. Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Hilary E. Ware — Senior Litigation Counsel, Google, Mountain View, Calif.; “When Different Cultures Meet: Mastering Cross-Cultural Considerations in Business and Litigation” from 2:30–4:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Aug. 13

Janet Ellen Barton — Judge, Maricopa County Superior Court, Phoenix; “An Introduction to Business Courts and Complex Litigation Courts: What Works Best and Why” from 8:15 – 10 a.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Elihu M. Berle — Judge, State of California, Superior Court, Los Angeles County, Los Angeles; “An Introduction to Business Courts and Complex Litigation Courts: What Works Best and Why” from 8:15 – 10 a.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Albert Diaz — Special Superior Court Judge for Complex Business Cases, North Carolina General Court of Justice, Charlotte, N.C.; “An Introduction to Business Courts and Complex Litigation Courts: What Works Best and Why” from 8:15 – 10 a.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Pavilion, Lobby level

Marc J. Fagel — Associate Regional Director, Division of Enforcement, Securities & Exchange, San Francisco; “Representing the Public Company in Crisis: Current Developments in Securities Litigation and Government Investigations” from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom level

Thomas C. Heller — Lewis Talbot and Nadine Hearn Shelton Professor of International Legal Studies, Stanford Law School, Stanford, Conn.; “Where’s the Smart Money in Greenhouse Gases? GHG Lessons for Today” from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, French, Lobby level

Barry M. Sabin — Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Washington, D.C.; “Representing the Public Company in Crisis: Current Developments in Securities Litigation and Government Investigations” from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Grand Ballroom, Grand Ballroom level

Peggy Twohig — Associate Director, Division of Financial Practices, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C.; “Federal and State Trade Practices” from 10:30–11:15 a.m., Fairmont San Francisco, Terrace room, Terrace level

Elaine Wu — Attorney Advisor, U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, External Affairs, Alexandria, Va.; Patent Law Reform in the People’s Republic of China” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

Xintian Yin — State Intellectual Property Office of China, Beijing, China; “Patent Law Reform in the People’s Republic of China” from 8:30–10 a.m., Moscone West Convention Center, Room 2020, 2nd floor

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