INTERNATIONAL TECH & IP DISPUTES EXCHANGE (I-TIDE) 2026

AI and Cross-Border Tech Disputes

The rapid integration of artificial intelligence (AI) into our daily lives is happening at an unprecedented pace, often without us even realizing it. This swift adoption brings significant legal challenges in areas like copyright infringement, patent eligibility, and trade secret protection. As legal professionals, courts, and lawmakers around the world tackle these cutting-edge issues, this event invites us to consider international perspectives.

What lessons can we learn from other jurisdictions and those leading the way in resolving these cases through various modes of dispute resolution?

Complimentary half-day seminars in a hybrid format

New York

Tuesday, March 3, 2026
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. EST
(Find your local time)

WilmerHale
7 World Trade Center
250 Greenwich Street
New York, NY 10007 USA
(Get directions)

San Francisco

Thursday, March 5, 2026
2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. PST
(Find your local time)

Morrison Foerster
425 Market Street
San Francisco, CA 94105 USA
(Get directions)

Register to join us in person or online and gain access to post-event recordings.

Register now:

- New York (In person or online)
- San Francisco (In person)
- San Francisco (Online)

This program is being planned with the intention to offer CLE credit to attendees who join the live presentation.

Jointly presented by

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The seminars are highly recommended for these professionals:

- Technology, IP and dispute resolution lawyers
- In-house counsels handling technology or IP matters
- IP and technology owners and users

WHAT YOU WILL GAIN

Through the seminars, you will hear international perspectives on:

- ✓ Emerging legal issues in IP & tech disputes where AI plays a central role
- ✓ Emerging procedural issues in IP & tech disputes where AI plays a central role

Join us in person for networking opportunities!

Same subject matter, diverse perspectives. Gain a 360-degree view of the topic by registering for both seminars in New York and San Francisco and hearing from different experts.

PROGRAM OUTLINE

New York Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Time	Program
2:00 p.m. – 2:05 p.m.	**Welcome** • **Anjan Sahni**, Managing Partner, WilmerHale
2:05 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.	**Introductory remarks** • **Tan Kong Hwee**, Chief Executive, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
2:10 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	**Introduction of keynote speaker** • **Ignacio de Castro**, Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center
2:15 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.	**Keynote** • **Daren Tang**, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (via pre-recorded video)

Time	Program
2:25 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.	**Brave New World: International Legal Developments Relating to Artificial Intelligence (New York Edition)** How can legal systems adapt to the realities of AI while balancing innovation, protection, and accountability? In this Panel, speakers will examine how rapid developments in artificial intelligence are challenging the foundations of intellectual property law across patents and copyright. *Topics discussed will include:* ● AI-assisted inventorship, patent eligibility, and infringement in the context of AI-enabled innovation ● Sufficiency of disclosure for patents relating to artificial neural networks (ANNs) and other AI systems ● The role of AI in shaping the "skilled person" standard and the treatment of AI-generated prior art ● Authorship and protection of AI-generated or AI-assisted works under copyright law, including comparative and transnational perspectives ● Fair use, training of AI models, and questions of AI-enabled infringement and stylistic replication ● Cross border AI disputes, including the EU AI Act, and evolving AI governance frameworks *Moderator*: ● **Daryl Lim**, H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law, Penn State Dickinson Law *Panelists*: ● **Jonathan Lim**, Partner, WilmerHale ● **Jacob Noti-Victor**, Professor of Law, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law ● **Thomas Pease**, Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig ● **Joshua Simmons**, Partner, Kirkland & Ellis ● **Ethan Ung**, Principal, Updike, Kelly & Spellacy, P.C. ● **Tony Yeo**, Managing Director, Intellectual Property, Drew & Napier
3:40 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	Networking tea break

Time	Program
4:10 p.m. – 5:25 p.m.	**International Commercial Conflicts Involving AI: Navigating Procedural Intricacies (New York Edition)** How can technology disputes be resolved efficiently, fairly, and across borders? And what part can procedural innovation and institutional adaptability play in the process? The focus of this Panel will be on how disputes arising from artificial intelligence and intellectual property are best resolved in a global, digital environment. *Topics discussed will include:* ● "Appropriate Dispute Resolution": examining the respective roles of arbitration, mediation, and international commercial courts ● Arbitration of AI-related IP disputes and the challenges of cross-border enforcement ● How arbitral institutions are adapting to increasingly complex technology and IP disputes, including efficiency and cost-control tools under modern arbitral rules and the growing use of specialist arbitrators ● Resolving tech and AI-related disputes at WIPO, including copyright issues in AI training data, royalty-setting and FRAND-type considerations, confidentiality and trade secrets, and disputes among AI partners and start-ups ● The use and implications of AI models within the legal industry, including discussion of Singapore's computational data analysis exception ● Mediation options for IP disputes, including Singapore's funding mechanisms and initiatives to develop the next generation of IP mediators *Moderator*: ● **David Kappos**, Partner, Cravath, Swaine & Moore *Panelists*: ● **Ignacio de Castro**, Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center ● **Mark Fisher**, Executive Director, Asian Business Law Institute ● **Rachael Kent**, Partner, Vice Chair, International Arbitration Practice Group, WilmerHale ● **Crystal Tan**, Divisional Registrar, Singapore International Commercial Court ● **Adriana Uson**, Director & Head (Americas), Singapore International Arbitration Centre ● **Sandy Widjaja**, Senior Legal Counsel, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
5:25 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	**Closing remarks** ● **Danielle Conway**, Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law, Penn State Dickinson Law, Pennsylvania

San Francisco Thursday, March 5, 2026

Time	Program
2:00 p.m. – 2:05 p.m.	**Welcome** ● **Richard Hung**, Global Co-Chair, Litigation Department, Morrison Foerster
2:05 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.	**Introductory remarks** ● **Daryl Lim**, H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law, Penn State Dickinson Law
2:10 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	**Introduction of keynote speaker** ● **Ignacio de Castro**, Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center
2:15 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.	**Keynote** ● **Janel Thamkul**, Deputy General Counsel, Anthropic
2:25 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.	**Brave New World: International Legal Developments Relating to Artificial Intelligence (San Francisco Edition)** In an era defined by rapid technological change, how do we ensure that intellectual property frameworks remain fit for purpose? This Panel will explore how artificial intelligence is reshaping intellectual property law and related governance challenges. *Topics discussed will include:* ● AI-generated prior art and the future of patent examination, including patentability and inventorship challenges for foundation models, as well as trademark use and consumer confusion in the age of AI assistants ● Operationalizing copyright compliance for AI at scale, including platform responsibility and questions of secondary liability ● Patentability of artificial neural networks and other core AI technologies ● Data governance as an emerging AI litigation frontier, including risks arising from AI outputs and reputational harm ● Fair use and generative AI after Warhol, including remedies and injunctions in model-related disputes ● Divergent European copyright approaches to AI memorization and their implications for global AI development and enforcement *Moderator*: ● **Daryl Lim**, H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law, Penn State Dickinson Law *Panelists*: ● **Jordan Gimbel**, Associate General Counsel, Microsoft ● **Joseph Gratz**, Partner, Morrison Foerster ● **Shankar Krithivasan**, Patent Counsel, Senior, Qualcomm ● **Dr Stanley Lai, SC**, Partner, Allen & Gledhill ● **Gideon Myles**, Associate General Counsel, Patents and Trademarks, OpenAI ● **Jon Small**, Senior Counsel & IP Lead, Google DeepMind

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3:40 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.	Networking tea break
4:10 p.m. – 5:25 p.m.	**International Commercial Conflicts Involving AI: Navigating Procedural Intricacies (San Francisco Edition)** Is an adaptable, internationally coordinated mechanism the answer to managing the procedural challenges of AI and technology disputes across jurisdictions? This panel will address the complexities of resolving technology and intellectual property disputes in a global context, with particular emphasis on the challenges posed by artificial intelligence. *Topics discussed will include:* ● How arbitral institutions are already administering sophisticated technology and IP disputes, supported by modern procedural tools, specialist arbitrators, and the growing attractiveness of arbitration for cross-border technology companies ● The Singapore courts' approach to emerging cross-border issues involving digital technology and digital assets ● WIPO's role as a neutral international forum for US–Asia technology disputes, including confidentiality and trade-secret protection, AI-related copyright disputes (such as training data and royalty setting), FRAND-type considerations, and disputes among AI partners and start-ups ● The use of AI models in the legal industry, including the scope and cross-border implications of the computational data analysis (CDA) exception ● Trade secrets and AI litigation, including discovery challenges, venue selection, and procedural leverage in China–US disputes ● Mediation as an effective option for IP disputes in Singapore, including funding support and Singapore's cultural and language proximity to ASEAN markets *Moderator*: ● **David Tsai**, Partner, Pillsbury *Panelists*: ● **Ignacio de Castro**, Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center ● **Mark Fisher**, Executive Director, Asian Business Law Institute ● **Crystal Tan**, Divisional Registrar, Singapore International Commercial Court ● **Adriana Uson**, Director & Head (Americas), Singapore International Arbitration Centre ● **Sandy Widjaja**, Senior Legal Counsel, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
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KEYNOTE PROFILE



Daren Tang

Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization

New York seminar

Daren Tang has been the Director General of WIPO since 2020.

Under his leadership, WIPO is working to transform the global intellectual property (IP) ecosystem into a powerful catalyst for jobs, investments, business growth, as well as economic and social development for all countries. He is also committed to ensuring WIPO works to harness the power of IP to provide innovative solutions to our common global challenges.

To make this happen, IP must not just be of interest to specialists and experts but also those innovating and creating at the grassroots, and IP must better serve the needs of women, youth, SMEs and entrepreneurs.

In a world facing geopolitical challenges, economic uncertainty and fast emerging technologies, DG Tang believes that IP, innovation and creativity serve as a bridge to connect countries together for the common good for all.

Mr. Tang is a former legal counsel and senior government official of his native Singapore. He is an avid jazz pianist and has also authored a book on tea.

SPEAKERS' PROFILES *(in alphabetical order)*



Ignacio de Castro

Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center

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Ignacio de Castro is the Director of the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center in Geneva.

Ignacio is a Spanish lawyer and an English solicitor. Ignacio holds an LL.M. degree from King's College London. Before joining WIPO in 2002, he practiced with the law firms Baker & McKenzie, London and Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London in the areas of international arbitration and litigation.

Ignacio is responsible for the administration of mediation, arbitration and domain name cases filed with the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center and the development and promotion of WIPO alternative dispute resolution (ADR). This includes implementing ADR collaborations concluded with IP Offices and establishing alternative dispute resolution (ADR) procedures adapted to specific areas of intellectual property (e.g. life sciences, SEPs/FRAND, digital copyright).



Danielle Conway

Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law, Penn State Dickinson Law

New York seminar

Danielle M. Conway is the Dean and Donald J. Farage Professor of Law at Penn State Dickinson Law. A leading expert in procurement law, entrepreneurship, and intellectual property law, Dean Conway joined Dickinson Law after serving for four years as dean of the University of Maine School of Law and 14 years on the faculty of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, William S. Richardson School of Law.

Dean Conway's scholarly agenda and speeches have focused on, among other areas, advocating for public education and for actualizing the rights of marginalized groups and promoting systemic equity in legal education and the profession. Under her leadership, Dickinson Law's Antiracist Development Institute (ADI) was created to facilitate the dismantling of structures that scaffold systemic racial inequality by using a systems design approach focused on implementing antiracist practices, processes, and policies throughout organizations.

Dean Conway is the co-recipient of the inaugural Association of American Law Schools' (AALS) Impact Award, which recognized her work in co-curating the Law Deans Antiracist Clearinghouse Project, a webpage for law deans, faculty, and the public that contains resources and information related to addressing systemic racism in law and legal education. Dean Conway is an elected member of the American Law Institute, a member of the AALS Executive Committee, and a director of the AccessLex Institute.



Mark Fisher

Executive Director, Asian Business Law Institute

New York and San Francisco seminars

Mark is the Executive Director of the Asian Business Law Institute (ABLI), a subsidiary of the Singapore Academy of Law (SAL). ABLI is the first think-tank dedicated to the promotion of the convergence of business laws in Asia.

Mark also provides legal domain expertise for the development of legal AI products by ABLI's sister subsidiary, LawNet Technology Services. Previously, Mark practiced complex litigation in Australia for both international (Jones Day) and domestic (Clayton Utz) law firms, particularly matters regarding securities litigation and matters involving private international law.



Jordan Gimbel

Associate General Counsel, Microsoft

San Francisco seminar

Jordan manages the Open Innovation Team at Microsoft which he joined in March of 2024. The Team focuses on, and participates in, multiple modes of intellectual property and open innovation systems, including copyrights, trade secrets, open data, and data acquisition practices.

Prior to joining Microsoft, he was the Deputy General Counsel at Twitch managing teams responsible for global litigation, enforcement and compliance initiatives, government inquiries, product advice, trust and safety initiatives, advertising matters, and the privacy program.

Jordan also previously worked at Jones Day; was a Fulbright Scholar in Sweden; and holds an LLM from Stockholm University on IT and completed coursework in a second LLM program on European Union IP law.



Joseph Gratz

Partner, Morrison Foerster

San Francisco seminar

Joseph C. Gratz is a partner with the law firm of Morrison & Foerster LLP in San Francisco. His practice focuses on litigating cases about copyright and new technologies, and he currently represents OpenAI and Stability AI in all of their pending U.S. copyright litigation. He regularly represents Amazon and Meta in intermediary liability copyright and trademark cases, and represented Google in the *Google Books* case.

An Advisor to the forthcoming American Law Institute Restatement of Copyright, Mr. Gratz is a respected litigator and commentator on copyright and Internet law. Mr. Gratz testified in July of 2020 before the United States Senate Judiciary IP Subcommittee regarding Internet intermediary liability. He received the IP Vanguard Award in 2022 from the California Lawyers Association. Mr. Gratz received his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and his law degree, cum laude, from the University of Minnesota Law School. After law school, he served as a law clerk to the Honorable John T. Noonan, Jr. of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.



Richard Hung

Global Co-Chair, Litigation Department, Morrison Foerster

San Francisco seminar

Richard S.J. Hung is the Global Co-Chair of Morrison Foerster's Litigation Department and a leading trial lawyer in high-stakes intellectual property disputes. A registered patent attorney and former clerk to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Rich brings deep technical fluency and strategic insight to complex litigation involving cutting-edge technologies. He has represented clients in major patent cases, trade-secret matters, competitor disputes, and proceedings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, across technologies including internet search, cryptography, smartphones, software interfaces, and consumer products.

Rich graduated from Stanford University with degrees in Electrical Engineering and Economics, and earned his J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he was a James Kent Scholar and received the Carroll G. Harper Prize for excellence in intellectual property. He later clerked for the Honorable Paul Michel on the Federal Circuit, gaining experience that continues to shape his appellate and trial practice.



David Kappos

Partner, Cravath, Swaine & Moore

New York seminar

David J. Kappos is a partner in Cravath's Corporate department and is Co-Chair of the Intellectual Property Practice. He is widely recognized as one of the world's foremost leaders in the field of intellectual property, including intellectual property management and strategy, the development of global intellectual property norms, laws and practices as well as commercialization and enforcement of innovation-based assets.

Mr. Kappos supports Cravath's clients with a wide range of their most complex intellectual property issues, including those pertaining to blockchain, cryptoassets and fintech, as well as cybersecurity and data privacy. From August 2009 to January 2013, Mr. Kappos served as Under Secretary of Commerce and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). In that role, he advised the President, the Secretary of Commerce and the Administration on intellectual property policy matters.

Prior to leading the USPTO, Mr. Kappos held several executive posts in the legal department of IBM, including litigation counsel, Asia Pacific IP counsel and, from 2003 to 2009, Vice President and Chief Intellectual Property Lawyer responsible for all patent, trademark, copyright and trade secret matters worldwide.



Rachael Kent

Partner, Vice Chair, International Arbitration Practice Group, WilmerHale

New York seminar

Rachael Kent has more than 25 years of experience representing companies, states, state entities, and individuals in commercial and investment arbitration proceedings worldwide. She is widely recognized for her expertise in the field and for her exceptional written and oral advocacy skills. She has been the lead advocate in numerous complex arbitrations in the energy, mining, aerospace, defense, pharmaceutical, construction, insurance, telecommunications, technology and retail sectors, among others. Ms. Kent also sits as arbitrator in commercial arbitrations.

Ms. Kent frequently represents parties in arbitrations involving states and state entities. In recent years, she has led a team representing a UK investor in an UNCITRAL arbitration against the People's Republic of China arising out of the expropriation of land use rights and unfair treatment of the claimant's investment. The case included a bifurcated jurisdictional phase, applications for interim measures of protection and other complex procedural applications, and ancillary proceedings in the courts of the arbitral seat.

Ms. Kent also recently successfully represented the Ministry of Public Works of a Middle Eastern state in a SIAC arbitration arising out of a $400 million construction project in the transportation sector; an aerospace and defense company in a dispute under a long-term development and supply agreement for military aircraft; and a state party in an LCIA arbitration related to the development of a substantial oil and gas field and the construction of gas processing facilities.



Shankar Krithivasan

Patent Counsel, Senior, Qualcomm

San Francisco seminar

Shankar Krithivasan is a Patent Counsel, Senior at Qualcomm, Inc., Santa Clara, where he strategically manages a patent portfolio for innovations in wireless and telecommunications technologies, with a significant focus on artificial intelligence and machine learning. He also serves as a co-chair of IPO's AI/D/ET subcommittee.

Prior to joining Qualcomm's in-house legal team, he was in private practice as a patent attorney, and has prior industry experience as a processor design engineer. He has a JD from the University of Texas, Austin; Masters in Electrical Engineering from the University of Wisconsin, Madison; and Bachelors in Electrical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras.



Dr Stanley Lai, SC

Partner, Allen & Gledhill

San Francisco seminar

Dr Stanley Lai, SC is Head of Intellectual Property and Co-Head of Cybersecurity & Data Protection. He specialises in all forms of IP litigation and information technology disputes and is also a commercial litigator. He maintains a strong advisory practice for IP/data management and cybersecurity, serving a broad spectrum of clients. He also represents clients in investigations that are undertaken by the Personal Data Protection Commission.

In the biomedical and pharmaceutical sectors, Stanley has substantial experience in advising on healthcare and medical IP and regulatory issues concerning medicines, generics, patent linkage, bio-similars, medical devices, clinical trials, product recalls and product liability.

Stanley is a specialist in alternative dispute resolution, appearing as counsel in IP and TMT arbitrations. He is an experienced mediator, specialising in IP disputes. He has practised as a Senior Counsel for more than 10 years and is the first Singapore-born lawyer to have obtained a PhD in law from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom.



Daryl Lim

H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law, Penn State Dickinson Law

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Daryl Lim is the H. Laddie Montague Jr. Chair in Law at Penn State Dickinson Law. He is also the Associate Dean for Research and Strategic Partnerships and Founding Director of the Intellectual Property (IP) Law and Innovation Initiative. At the university level, he is a co-hire at the Institute of Computational and Data Sciences and was appointed to its Research Council in 2025. He is also an affiliate at the Center for Socially Responsible Artificial Intelligence.

He is an award-winning author, observer, and commentator on IP and competition policy trends and how they influence and are influenced by law, technology, economics, and politics. He helps stakeholders understand the world around them. He consults internationally on various IP and antitrust issues.



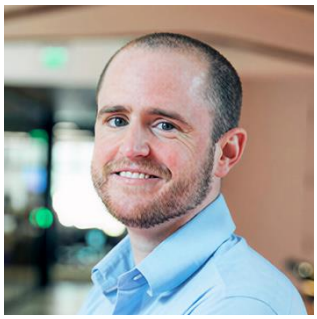
Jonathan Lim

Partner, WilmerHale

New York seminar

Jonny Lim is an experienced international arbitration advocate, who represents clients in their most complex and significant arbitration disputes. Mr. Lim has acted in over 50 international arbitration and litigation proceedings, including as lead counsel. He has successfully represented clients in high-stakes commercial and investment treaty arbitration disputes in the aerospace, construction, energy, financial services, telecommunications, and technology sectors, among others. Mr. Lim has broad experience with cases seated in all of the leading arbitration seats globally and matters governed by the laws of over 15 legal systems, including both civil and common law systems across Asia, Africa, the Americas, and Europe. He advises international organizations and governments on public international law issues, and regularly sits as arbitrator.

Mr. Lim is regularly recognized as a leading lawyer for international arbitration globally by *Chambers*, *Legal 500* and *Lexology Index*. He was recently named on *Global Arbitration Review's* selective 45 Under 45 list and ranked by *Who's Who Legal* as one of a handful of Global Elite Thought Leaders under the age of 45. Clients and peers describe him as "an extraordinarily gifted lawyer and forceful advocate," "10 steps ahead of everyone else," and "a sure bet as a future global leader."



Gideon Myles

Associate General Counsel, Patents and Trademarks, OpenAI

San Francisco seminar

Gideon Myles is Associate General Counsel, IP at OpenAI, where he specialized in a variety of IP issues including overseeing OpenAI's patent, trademark, and open source compliance programs. Previously, he was Head of IP at Dropbox where he had similar responsibilities. Prior to his legal career, Gideon was a software engineer at IBM Research and Apple Inc. Gideon received a Ph.D. in Computer Science from The University of Arizona and J.D. from Santa Clara University.



Jacob Noti-Victor

Professor of Law, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

New York seminar

Jacob Noti-Victor is a Professor of Law at the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. He teaches and writes in the areas of intellectual property, technology law, and property. His scholarship focuses on how legal regimes shape innovation, creativity, and the adoption of emerging technologies.

Professor Noti-Victor's work has appeared in leading law reviews, including the Virginia Law Review and the Stanford Law Review. He is also a frequent commentator on current issues in IP law, with a particular focus on generative artificial intelligence.

Before entering academia, Professor Noti-Victor practiced intellectual property litigation at Kirkland & Ellis LLP and clerked for Judge Pierre N. Leval on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He holds a J.D. from Yale Law School, where he was an Essays Editor of the Yale Law Journal, and an A.B. from Harvard.



Thomas Pease

Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig

New York seminar

Thomas Pease is a Shareholder at Greenberg Traurig with over 30 years of experience in global intellectual property litigation, including patent, trade secret, and SEP/FRAND disputes. He represents both innovators and implementers in cross-border litigation, arbitration, and licensing across sectors such as telecommunications, semiconductors, and AI infrastructure. As AI reshapes innovation, Tom advises leading companies on protecting inference and compute breakthroughs—spanning software, hardware, and hybrid systems — crafting strategies to safeguard proprietary models, algorithms, and data while maximizing monetization and minimizing regulatory risk. He is a frequent speaker on these topics and brings deep trial experience and business judgment to every engagement.



Anjan Sahni

Managing Partner, WilmerHale

New York seminar

Anjan Sahni serves as the firm's managing partner. Mr. Sahni represents companies, boards, and senior executives in federal and state government investigations, litigation, and crisis-related matters. He returned to WilmerHale in 2015, after having been a federal prosecutor for over a decade at the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York, where he served in various senior roles. Since 2005, Mr. Sahni has been lead counsel in a dozen federal criminal trials, including in a recent high-profile criminal antitrust trial, in which he obtained an acquittal.

Recognized by *Chambers USA* as a leading white-collar and government investigations lawyer, Mr. Sahni draws extensive praise from his peers and clients. Clients describe him as "outstanding," "unflappable" and "extremely polished," and having a "laser-sharp ability to reason legally." Sources laud his courtroom abilities, describing him "as a phenomenal trial attorney" and "an extremely persuasive advocate in the courtroom." *The National Law Journal* recognized Mr. Sahni as a Litigation Trailblazer in 2019 and a Criminal Law Trailblazer in 2020. Mr. Sahni was also named to the Lawyers of Color Power List in 2020, recognizing influential minority attorneys in the United States.



Joshua Simmons

Partner, Kirkland & Ellis

New York seminar

Joshua Simmons is a nationally recognized appellate and trial court litigator, who has been lauded as an "exceptional," "forceful," and "creative" "brainiac" (Chambers), "Top Attorney" (Law360) and "big-picture thought leader" (WTR). This "Intellectual Property Superhero" (CLS) is one of Crain's "Notable Litigators & Trial Attorneys" and Lawdragon's "Leading Litigators in America." With a practice at the "intersection of entertainment and tech," he has been recognized as a "Power Lawyer" (THR) and "Trailblazer" (NLJ) for his eye-catching media litigations and as a "Leading AI & Legal Tech Advisor" (Lawdragon), "Power Player," and "Distinguished Adviser" (Financier) for his technology practice. He is "sought after for complex cases" and those of first impression, as well as "strategic counseling, portfolio management, and policy advice" (WIPR), for which IAM named him a "Strategy 300 Global Leader" and Lawdragon named him a "Leading Global IP Lawyer." In addition to his full-time litigation practice, Josh hosts PLI's IP Discussions with Joshua Simmons, is Chair-Elect for the ABA IP Section, a Trustee of the Copyright Society, and Vice Chair of the IPO's Artificial Intelligence, Data, and New Emerging Technologies Committee and of INTA's Technology Transformation Committee.

Jon Small

Senior Counsel & IP Lead, Google DeepMind

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Crystal Tan

Divisional Registrar, Singapore International Commercial Court

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Crystal Tan is Divisional Registrar of the Singapore International Commercial Court Registry and concurrently designated as a District Judge in the Supreme Court of Singapore. She adjudicates matters in the areas of banking and finance, complex commercial claims and building and construction.

Crystal commenced her career as a Justices' Law Clerk in the Supreme Court of Singapore. Prior to her appointment with the Supreme Court, her last appointment was as Deputy Director of the Policy Advisory Division at the Ministry of Law, where her portfolio entailed working on the legal aspects of policy formulation and implementation as well as law reform. She also held a concurrent designation as Deputy Registrar at the Legal Services Regulatory Authority.

Crystal has served on the adjunct faculty of the Singapore Management University Yong Pung How School of Law.



Tan Kong Hwee

Chief Executive, Intellectual Property Office of Singapore

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Mr Tan Kong Hwee assumed the role of Chief Executive at the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) in March 2025. He is deeply committed to IPOS' mission to drive future economic growth for Singapore through intangible assets and intellectual property.

Prior to IPOS, Mr Tan was an Executive Vice President and Member of the Executive Committee from late 2019 at the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB). In his 19 years at the EDB, he had the opportunity to develop several industries including aerospace, mobility, design and space, drove account management excellence and dabbled at branding, marketing and public communications. Mr Tan was also posted to Tokyo and London for 6 years.

Mr Tan started his career in the Singapore public service at the Ministry of Home Affairs shortly after he graduated from Kyoto University with a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering.

Janel Thamkul

Deputy General Counsel, Anthropic

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David Tsai

Partner, Pillsbury

San Francisco seminar

David Tsai is Pillsbury's Taiwan Practice co-leader and a resident partner in the firm's San Francisco office. A first-chair trial lawyer, David represents leading global companies in high-stakes intellectual property and complex commercial disputes, including patent, trade secret, trademark, copyright, breach of contract, and product defect litigation in U.S. courts and international arbitration. His clients span cutting-edge industries such as biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, artificial intelligence, software, semiconductors, and advanced display technologies. Beyond litigation, David advises on patent strategy, licensing, and IP-driven M&A transactions. He is widely recognized as a thought leader and has been quoted by major business and technology publications, including The New York Times. David regularly writes and lectures internationally on Hatch-Waxman/ANDA litigation, standard-essential patents, FRAND/RAND royalties, internet software applications, and U.S. patent law.

From 2017 to 2019, David served as one of 18 lawyer representatives to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California. He has held numerous leadership roles, including president of the Harvard Club of San Francisco, the Silicon Valley IP Law Association, and the Asian American Bar Association of the Greater Bay Area, and was recognized by the California State Legislature for his civil rights work.

Before practicing law, David worked in biotech and venture-backed technology startups and conducted graduate research at Stanford University in stem cell gene therapy. He is currently an adjunct professor at the University of San Francisco School of Law.



Ethan Ung

Principal, Updike, Kelly & Spellacy, P.C.

New York seminar

Ethan J. Ung is a patent attorney and litigator specializing in intellectual property (IP) law. He focuses on navigating the complexities of patents, trademarks, copyrights, and related IP matters. With a blend of legal expertise and scientific knowledge, Ethan counsels clients through the prosecution, enforcement, and strategic management of their intellectual property assets. His work spans offering clearance opinions, conducting IP audits, performing due diligence, and advising entrepreneurs, business owners, and startups on critical IP issues.

Ethan works closely with innovative biotechnology startups, particularly those advancing stem cell technologies in regenerative medicine, human fertility, and cosmetics. His experience extends to advising entrepreneurs and innovators in the mechanical arts, including medical devices, computer-implemented technologies, and software inventions. Having served as General Counsel to a biotech company focused on developing cutting-edge cancer therapies, Ethan brings invaluable insight into the legal intricacies of the biotech and pharmaceutical sectors, including preclinical and clinical development, licensing agreements, and collaboration partnerships.

In addition to his IP expertise, Ethan is a seasoned litigator. He advises national and multinational corporations on complex disputes involving product liability, insurance coverage, trademark infringement, anti-counterfeiting, false advertising, and unfair competition. His litigation experience spans all phases, from case inception to verdict, including leading bench and jury trials, mediations, and arbitrations.



Adriana Uson

Director & Head (Americas), Singapore International Arbitration Centre

New York and San Francisco seminars

Adriana Uson, Director & Head (Americas) at the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), oversees SIAC's initiatives across the Americas. In 2020, she led the establishment SIAC's first office outside Asia in New York.

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Tony has contributed significantly to the IP community. He was appointed by the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) as an IP Adjudicator to hear disputes at IPOS and is currently the President of the AIPPI – Singapore Group. He is also a member of the Law Society's Inquiry Committee and Disciplinary Tribunal.

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