



# HOT TOPICS IN PATENT LAW: GMU Law School and Banner & Witcoff present the 8th Annual Hot Topics in Patent Law Symposium, July 21, 2009

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The George Mason University School of Law presents the **Eighth Annual Symposium on Hot Topics in Patent Law** co-sponsored by Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.

The full day program addressing some of the hottest topics in patent law will be held at the FDIC Virginia Square Seidman Center next to the GMU Law School in Arlington, Virginia.

The George Mason University School of Law, located just outside of Washington, D.C., was recently ranked as one of the top law schools in the nation by U.S. News and World Report. It has an extensive intellectual property law program and features leading jurists on its faculty.

This annual program includes a luncheon speaker, networking reception, and **6.0 hours of CLE credits** (including 1 ethics credit) pending in Virginia. CLE credits may be available in additional states upon request.

## 2009 Hot Topics Include:

9:30	Welcome	Daniel Polsby, Dean & Professor of Law, George Mason University School of Law Elizabeth J. Haanes, Sterne, Kessler, Goldstein & Fox
9:40 – 10:25	Tafas v. Doll: Preparing for Resurgence of the New USPTO Rules	Robert G. Sterne, Sterne, Kesler, Goldstein & Fox

10:25 – 11:25	Post McKesson and Larson:A Prosecution Viewpoint on Avoiding Inequitable Conduct	Mercedes K. Meyer,Drinker Biddle & Reath, LLC
11:25 – 11:35	BREAK	BREAK
11:35 – 12:20	Is T.S. Tech the Death Knell for Patent Litigation in the Eastern District of Texas?	V. Bryan Medlock, Jr. Sidley Austin, LLP
12:20 – 1:30	Work Sharing and International Cooperative Affairs <b>LUNCH Sponsored by Banner &amp; Witcoff</b>	John J. Doll, Acting Director, United States Patent and Trademark Office
1:30 – 2:30	Patentable Subject Matter Post-Bilski	Hon. Paul R. Michel, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit Peter McDermott, Banner & Witcoff, Ltd. <b>Robert J. Kerwin, Tarlow Breed Hart &amp; Rodgers, P.C.</b>
2:30 – 3:30	Girding Your Client's Intellectual Property to Survive Bankruptcy	<b>Dean B. Watson, Chief Intellectual Property Counsel, Dura Automotive Systems, Inc.</b>
3:30 – 3:40	BREAK	BREAK
3:40 – 4:20	U.S. Patent Enforcement of Multinational Products	Hon. Liam O'Grady, U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia Lynn I. Levine,Director, Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission
4:20 – 5:00	Downstream Products After Kyocera v. ITC	Sponsored by Banner & Witcoff, Ltd.
5:00 – 6:00	Reception	

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See you in July, it will be **HOT!**