

### SYMPOSIUM ON PATENT POLICY

# **Panel 2: Ethics and Patent Abuse**

Intersection of policy and ethics in patent litigation. Discussion on two forthcoming Landslide® magazine articles—Third-Party Financing Puts Fiduciary Duty to Investors Over Duty of Loyalty to Clients by Paul Taylor and "It was all frivolous": How Lax Ethical Enforcement Have Rewarded Years of Abuse in Patent Litigation by Jonathan Stroud

#### **Moderator**

### Laura Powell, Counsel, WilmerHale



Laura Powell assists clients in all phases of cases from prelitigation investigation through trial and appeals, with emphasis on appellate litigation. She has extensive experience representing clients in patent appeals involving a wide range of technologies. Laura frequently writes on the intersection of artificial intelligence with intellectual property law. She has experience advising clients on artificial intelligence legislation and policies currently under review by Congress as well as the licensing and litigation

implications that artificial intelligence has presented in both copyright and patent law. Prior to joining the firm, Laura served as a judicial law clerk for the Honorable Evan J. Wallach of the US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and the Honorable Gregory M. Sleet of the US District Court for the District of Delaware.



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#### **Panelists**

### Paul Taylor, George Mason University



Paul Taylor is a Visiting Fellow at the National Security Institute at George Mason University. Previously, he was the Chief Counsel of the House Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, where he served for over 20 years, and counsel to the House Oversight Committee. He is an elected member of the American Law Institute and the 2024 recipient of the Patent and Trademark Office Society's Rossman Award.

## Jonathan Stroud, General Counsel, Unified Patents



Mr. Stroud manages Unified Patents' legal and corporate work, focusing on Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), district court, appellate litigation, contracting, general corporate matters, and settlement negotiations. He regularly teaches, speaks, and writes about patent and administrative law. Previously, Mr. Stroud was a patent attorney at Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett and Dunner LLP, where he was involved in some of the earliest post-grant review work. Before that, he examined patents on implantable medical devices at the

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# **Anthony Del Monaco, Counsel, Lenovo**



Anthony currently works in-house at Lenovo as Senior Counsel for Intellectual Property Litigation. Before joining Lenovo, Anthony was a partner at the law firm of Finnegan where his practice focused on representing global clients in intellectual property, with a focus on patents and trade secrets, contentious and noncontentious disputes across technologies. Anthony's experience includes first chairing a district court litigation while also participating in over 15 ITC

investigations. Anthony is also an adjunct professor at American University's Washington College of Law teaching a class on practice and procedure for IP investigations at the ITC.