

Business Methods

Virtual Customer Partnership Meeting

Agenda

September 13, 2022

- 10:00 a.m. ET** **Opening remarks**
Robin Evans
Deputy Commissioner for Patents
- 10:10 a.m. ET** **Business methods director's update**
Tariq Hafiz
Director, Technology Center 3600
- Deborah Reynolds
Director, Technology Center 3600
- 10:30 a.m. ET** **Strategies for prosecuting and navigating fintech patents**
Kevin Rodkey, Moderator
Partner, Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP
- Christine Behncke
Supervisory Patent Examiner, Technology Center 3600
- Justin Mullen
Senior Counsel, Patents, Capital One
- Leonard Stewart
Assistant General Counsel, Intellectual Property, Fidelity Information Services
- 11:30 a.m. ET** **Petitions practice**
Kristen Matter
Petitions Examiner, Office of Petitions
- Jason Olson
Acting Deputy Director, Office of Petitions

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12:00 p.m. ET

Interactive lunch break

Breakout listening sessions moderated by SPEs, with topics to include: interviews, petitions, Patents Ombuds, and customer service procedures

1:00 p.m. ET

Prosecuting machine learning patents

Namrata 'Pinky' Boveja, Moderator

Acting Director, Technology Center 3600

Sumedha Ahuja

Partner, Perkins Coie LLP

Lennie Bersh

Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig LLP

Steve Lawrenz

Partner, Seed IP

Barry Schindler

Co-Chair of Global Patent Prosecution Group, Greenberg Traurig LLP

2:15 p.m. ET

Interview practice refresher

Michael Thier

Supervisory Patent Examiner, Technology Center 2400

2:45 p.m. ET

Open forum Q&A

3:15 p.m. ET

Closing remarks

Gladys Corcoran

Assistant Commissioner

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