COURSE DESCRIPTION AND CLASS PLAN FOR I.P. SURVEY

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Required materials:

Current IP laws as set out in Schechter, Selected Intellectual Property and Unfair Competition: Statutes, Regulations and Treaties, 2014 edition

Materials available on my UH faculty web site: www.law.uh.edu/faculty/pjanicke. These materials include PowerPoint files; a set of cases for each component subject of IP (trade secrets; copyrights; trademarks; and patents); and several fact-pattern problems to solve.

Non-required textbook: BLACK LETTER OUTLINE series on IP Law (Schechter). Is recommended for those wishing a companion textbook for further explanations.

Quizzes:

There will be two for-credit quizzes during the semester, counting in the aggregate for 10% of the final grade. Answers to quiz questions will be gone over in class.

Class Plan

Overview of the subject (Aug. 25)) [1 class]

Section 1: Trade Secrets (Aug. 27 – Sept. 15) [5 classes]

Trade secret PowerPoint
Trade secret cases

Section 2: Copyrights (Sept. 17 – Oct. 8) [7 classes]

Copyright PowerPoint Copyright cases

Section 3: Trademarks (Oct. 13 – Oct. 27) [5 classes]

Trademark PowerPoint
Trademark cases

Section 4: Patents (Oct. 29 – Dec. 3; no class Nov. 26 – day before Thanksgiving] [10 classes]

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