SYLLABUS AND CLASS PLAN FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY SURVEY

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Required materials:

Current IP laws as set out in Goldstein et al., SELECTED STATUTES AND INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS ON TRADEMARK, COPYRIGHT, etc., 2016 or 2017 edition (West)

Materials will be 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: McJohn, Intellectual Property Examples & Explanations, Fifth Edition (Wolters Kluwer 2015)

Course Description: The course will cover the four main areas of intellectual property law: trade secret; copyright' trademark; and patent. Each segment will begin with a PowerPoint presentation introducing the main statutory and caselaw points of law for that segment. We will then follow with a set of cases for that segment. All the cases will be in a Word file available at no cost from my faculty website. The sequence of topics, and the approximate number of classes for each segment, are shown below.

Class Plan

Overview of the subject [1 class]; PowerPoint

Section 1: Trade Secrets [5 classes]

Trade secret PowerPoint

Trade secret cases (to be discussed during the PowerPoint, at the places indicated):

Lamb-Weston

Learning Curve

Mangren

A.C. Crouch

Chicago Lock

Smith

E.I. Dupont

Weed Eater

Schalk

Section 2: Copyrights [7 classes]

Copyright PowerPoint

Copyright cases (to be discussed during the PowerPoint, at the places indicated)

Mazer

Laureyssens

Paramount Pictures

Harper & Rowe

Fisher

Sega

Ty

MGM

Arthur Rutenberg

Section 3: Trademarks [5 classes]

Trademark PowerPoint

Trademark cases (to be discussed during the PowerPoint, at the places indicated)

Blue Bell

XTreme Lashes (part 1)

Streetwise Maps

Quill

Park 'N Fly

Qualitex

Sloppy Joe's

Mister Donut

Ambassador East

Kellogg

XTreme Lashes (part 2)

Section 4: Patents [8 classes]

Patent cases (to be discussed during the PowerPoint, at the places indicated)

Alice

Assoc. for Molecular Pathology

Hall

Pfaff

City of Elizabeth

Graham

Graver Tank (excerpt)

Warner Jenkinson

Eli Lilly

Titanium Metals

Liquid Dynamics

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