Technology and Intellectual Property Law Section Report 2014 - 2015

This year, the Tech & IP Section has conducted the following events:
- On November 26, 2014, Sam Gabor of Taylor McCaffrey LLP and Kelsey Desjardine of Pitblado LLP presented a session on "Recent Amendments to the Trade-marks Act" and:
- On January 24, 2015, John Myers of Taylor McCaffrey LLP, Allister Gunson of Manitoba eHealth, Andrew Buck of Pitblado LLP, Michael Legary of Seccuris and Nancy Love from The Office of the Manitoba Ombudsman presented a panel discussion on "The Current State of Privacy in Manitoba" at the MBA Mid-Winter Conference.

On October 30, 2014, Cheryl Jason of Manitoba eHealth, Co-Chair of the Tech & IP Section represented the Section at the National Privacy Law Section Meeting in Ottawa. Cheryl reported to the National Privacy Law Section on the events held and future events planned by the Tech and IP Section for the programming year.

The Tech and IP Section also supported the coaching and training of the University of Manitoba moot court team in their participation in the Harold G. Fox Intellectual Property Law Moot held in Toronto. Members of the Section generously donated their time to act as judges and provide valuable insight and advice to the students of the team.

On June 10, 2015, the Section will be welcoming Adriane Porcin of the U of M Faculty of Law, Kelsey Desjardine of Pitblado LLP, Andrew Buck of Pitblado LLP, Mike Williams of Ade & Company and Cheryl Jason of Manitoba eHealth to provide updates from the past year in the areas of copyright law, trademark law, privacy law, patents and information technology law, respectively. In addition, at the same meeting, we will be electing our executive positions for the coming 2015-2016 programming year.

We invite others to consider joining this group, even if their main practice area is not technology, intellectual property or privacy law, and particularly, if it is.

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