

Biotechnology/Chemical/Pharmaceutical Customer Partnership Meeting

March 29, 2022, 9:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. ET

Webinar

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9:00 – 9:10 a.m.	Welcome and opening remarks	Daniel Sullivan Director, TC1600, USPTO Gary Jones Director, TC1600, USPTO
9:10 – 10:30 a.m.	Claim Construction and Doctrine of Equivalents – A review for the Patent Office	Henry C. Su Trial Lawyer and Partner, Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP
10:30 – 10:40 a.m.	Break	
10:40 – 11:40 a.m.	Statutory provisions governing patent infringement – A practical analysis	Christopher J. Harnett Shareholder, Maynard, Cooper & Gale in NYC
11:40 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Deferred subject matter eligibility response (DSMER) pilot program	Daniel Kolker Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) TC1600, USPTO
12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Patent Quality Metrics	Kathleen Bragdon Quality Assurance Specialist (mQAS) OPQA, USPTO

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1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	Providing explicit rationales in rejections under 35 U.S.C. 103	Lora Barnhart Driscoll Quality Assurance Specialist (TQAS) TC1600, USPTO
2:30 – 2:40 p.m.	Break	
2:40 – 3:10 p.m.	Biological Sequence Searching	Christopher Babic Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) TC1600, USPTO
3:10 – 4:40 p.m.	A systematic approach to 35 U.S.C. 112(b)	Gary Benzion Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) Bennett Celsa Quality Assurance Specialist (TQAS) Amjad Abraham Supervisory Patent Examiner (SPE) Ashwin Mehta Review Quality Assurance Specialist (RQAS) TC1600 and OPQA, USPTO
4:40 – 5:00 p.m.	Closing remarks	TC1600 Directors, USPTO