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## Post-Grant Webinar from IP Law Firm Brinks Gilson & Lione Addresses PTAB and District Court Proceedings

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CHICAGO—Gary M. Ropski, Miyoung Shin, Jafon Fearson, and Sen (Alex) Wang, attorneys in the post-grant patent practice group at intellectual property law firm Brinks Gilson & Lione, will present the webinar “PTAB and the District Courts” at 12:00 p.m. CDT on May 18, 2017.

The webinar will explore the interplay between the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office’s (USPTO) Patent Trial & Appeal Board (PTAB) and the district courts, including concurrent proceedings, the scope of estoppel in post-Shaw decisions, and the recent trend of filing motions to stay district court proceedings pending the outcome of inter partes review petitions.

Gary Ropski, a veteran IP litigator, Brinks shareholder, and former president of the firm, has handled more than 125 patent, trademark, and copyright cases in every federal judicial circuit. During his more than 40 years in practice, he has represented clients in high-stakes cases before key district courts for patent litigation and in precedent-setting appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Shareholder Miyoung Shin co-chairs Brinks’ post-grant patent practice group. An experienced patent attorney with an electrical engineering background, she focuses her practice on the technical fields of computer science and electrical and mechanical engineering. Her practice includes all areas of patent law, with a particular focus on complex, rapidly evolving issues such as post-grant proceedings, patent protection, and enforcement.

Jafon Fearson is a patent attorney whose litigation experience includes drafting discovery requests, responses, motions, and pleadings for claim construction and invalidity issues. He has represented clients in litigations in federal district court, in post-grant review proceedings at the PTAB, and in appeals before the Federal Circuit. Fearson’s prosecution experience includes responding to USPTO office actions and conducting patentability evaluations.

Patent attorney Alex Wang’s practice is focused on patent drafting, prosecution, and litigation, and draws on his extensive training in mechanical design, manufacturing, and automation. His prosecution experience includes a range of medical and commercial technologies, including medical catheters, medical coating devices, patient status evaluation systems, and high pressure components in hydraulic systems.

Brinks established its post-grant practice group to counsel clients on patent litigation strategies under the provisions of the Leahy-Smith America Invents Act (AIA). The group, which numbers nearly 60 attorneys, has significant experience in USPTO administrative proceedings, including re-examinations, interferences, and inter partes and covered business method reviews. Brinks attorneys have served as lead counsel in approximately 40 cases before the PTAB and several subsequent appeals to the Federal Circuit.

For more information or to register for the one-hour webinar, click [here](#).

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