



Seattle Intellectual Property American Inn of Court

August 23, 2016

Dear Member:

Welcome to the 2016-2017 program year for the Seattle Intellectual Property American Inn of Court. This year, we hope to continue advancing the Inn's goals of fostering professionalism, mentoring new attorneys, and educating our members. In addition to each meeting's program, we'll be asking members to share short stories illustrating real-world practice examples of the principles of the Inn's Professional Creed, including "my word is my bond," "encouraging respect for the law in all that I do," "seek the most expeditious and least costly solutions to problems," and "work to make the legal system more accessible, responsive and effective."

Our first program, on September 15, will address financial aspects of IP litigation from litigation funding to alternative fee arrangements for defense counsel.

This year's meeting schedule is below. We will send you invitations using the national AIC Inn management system. Other than the October, May and June programs, all programs will again be held on the third Thursday of each month at the University of Washington Club (4020 N.E. Stevens Way, Seattle, WA 98195), with a mixer starting at 5:30 pm. Dinner will begin at 6:00 pm, so that we can begin the CLE programs promptly at 6:50 pm and adjourn by 7:50 pm.

<u>Date (Day)</u>	<u>Location</u>
September 15, 2016 (Th.)	UW Club
October 5, 2016 (*Wed.)	Seattle Univ. (Joint meeting with the Dwyer and Bryant Inns)
November 17, 2016 (Th.)	UW Club
[December holiday]	
January 19, 2017 (Th.)	UW Club
February 16, 2017 (Th.)	UW Club
March 16, 2017 (Th.)	UW Club
April 20, 2017 (Th.)	UW Club
May 11, 2017 (2 nd Th.)	UW Club
June 22, 2017 (4 th Th.)	t/b/d (Year-end social)

It is also time to pay yearly dues, which cover your national and local membership as well as the nine dinners and numerous CLE credits you will receive.

This year, we are encouraging each member to pay their dues online. You will receive an invoice via email from the National AIC Inn management website. **Please follow the link in that email and pay your dues online with a credit card.** If you are unable to pay online, please email our Treasurer, Ben Byer (benbyer@dwt.com) to arrange for alternate payment.

Dues for 2016-2017 remain the same as last year, as follows:

Master (<i>non</i> -Corporate/Government/Academic):	\$475
Master (C/G/A) <u>or</u> Barrister (<i>non</i> -C/G/A):	\$375
Barrister (C/G/A) <u>or</u> Associate:	\$275
Pupils and Judicial Clerks:	\$150

(Per the Inn by-laws, an Associate has less than five years of legal experience; a Barrister has five to twelve years of legal experience; and a Master has at least twelve years of legal experience.)

This year, the Executive Committee members are as follows. Please use all of us as a resource to answer any questions you may have and to discuss ways we can make our organization better.

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On behalf of the Executive Committee, we look forward to another exciting year and to seeing you at the September 15 initial program.

Best regards,

/s/ John D. Vandenberg

John D. Vandenberg
2016-2017 President

cc: Executive Committee
National (Caryn Worcester)