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## **DOJ/FTC HEARINGS TO HIGHLIGHT ADDITIONAL BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES ON COMPETITION AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY POLICY**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Department of Justice’s Antitrust Division and the Federal Trade Commission today announced topics, updated times and locations, and participants for sessions in their joint hearings on “Competition and Intellectual Property Law and Policy in the Knowledge-Based Economy” on April 9 through April 11. The hearings primarily will examine the implications of competition and patent law and policy for innovation and other aspects of consumer welfare. The general public and press are invited to attend. Seating will be on a first-come, first-served basis with an overflow room provided. Written comments from interested parties may be submitted to the FTC.

**April 9:  
FTC - Room 432**

**9:30 a.m. - noon:**

**Cross-Industry Perspectives on Patents**

*[Panelists to be listed on the DOJ web site [www.usdoj.gov/atr/hearing.htm](http://www.usdoj.gov/atr/hearing.htm) and the FTC web site, [www.ftc.gov/opp/intellect/index.htm](http://www.ftc.gov/opp/intellect/index.htm).]*

**April 10:  
FTC - Room 432**

**9:30 a.m - 12:30 p.m. :**

**Substantive Standards of Patentability**

**2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.:**

**Patenting Procedures, Presumptions, and Uncertainties**

**Introductory Speaker: Kenneth M. Frankel** (Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner), speaking on behalf of the American Intellectual Property Law Association

**Panelists:**

**Mark D. Janis**, Professor of Law, University of Iowa College of Law

**Salem M. Katsh**, Partner, Shearman & Sterling

**Jay P. Kesan**, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Illinois College of Law

**F. Scott Kieff**, John M. Olin Senior Research Fellow in Law, Economics, and Business, Harvard Law School, and Associate Professor, Washington University School of Law

**Roger W. Parkhurst**, Member, Parkhurst & Wendel, L.L.P., and President, American Intellectual Property Law Association

**Stephen G. Kunin**, Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy, United States Patent and Trademark Office

**Arti K. Rai**, Assistant Professor of Law, University of Pennsylvania Law School

**Suzanne Andersen Scotchmer**, Professor of Economics and Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley

**John R. Thomas**, Associate Professor of Law, The George Washington University Law School

**April 11**  
**FTC - Room 432**

**9:30 a.m. - noon:**

**Patentable Subject Matter – Business Method and Software Patents**

**Mark D. Janis**, Professor of Law, University of Iowa College of Law

**Jeffrey R. Kuester**, Partner, Thomas, Kayden, Horstemeyer & Risley

**Jeffrey P. Kushan**, Partner, Powell, Goldstein, Frazer & Murphy LLP

**Rick D. Nydegger**, Shareholder, Workman, Nydegger & Seeley

**Suzanne Andersen Scotchmer**, Professor of Economics and Public Policy, University of California, Berkeley

**John R. Thomas**, Associate Professor of Law, The George Washington University Law School

**Robert Young**, Chairman, Center for Public Domain, and Chairman, Red Hat, Inc.

**2:00 - 4:30 p.m.:**

**Patent Criteria and Procedures – International Comparisons**

**Danielle M. Bush**, Partner, McCarthy Tétrault LLP

**Mark D. Janis**, Professor of Law, University of Iowa College of Law

**Rick D. Nydegger**, Shareholder, Workman, Nydegger & Seeley

**Robert L. Stoll**, Administrator for External Affairs, United States Patent and Trademark Office

**John R. Thomas**, Associate Professor of Law, The George Washington University Law School

*Further information about these and subsequent sessions in April, May, and June will be posted on the Antitrust Division's web site [www.usdoj.gov/atr/hearing.htm](http://www.usdoj.gov/atr/hearing.htm) and the FTC web site [www.ftc.gov/opp/intellect/index.htm](http://www.ftc.gov/opp/intellect/index.htm) as it becomes available.*

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