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## **MEMORANDUM**

November 13, 2015

TO: Chief Judge Patricia E. Campbell-Smith

Ms. Sarah Wilson, Esq., Covington & Burling

Members of the Advisory Committee

FROM: Judge Susan G. Braden

CC: Judge Nancy B. Firestone

Ms. Meredith Miller Ms. Sophie L. Fortin

SUBJECT: Report of the United States Court of Federal Claims Advisory Council,

**Intellectual Property Committee** 

The following are members of the Committee:

John Fargo, United States Department of Justice

Professor Peter Menell, Berkeley Center of Law & Technology (not participating today)

Professor Lateef Mtima, Howard University School of Law

Michael Saywer, Covington & Burling

James Schaefer, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom, Palo Alto, California

Andy Schwentker, Fish & Richardson

Stefani Vande Lune, Kirkland & Ellis

The IP Committee has accomplished the following tasks since our May 12, 2015 Report:

- 1. Professor Lateef Mtima, John Fargo, and I worked this summer with Senior Judge Bruggink to provide comments on the use of ADR in intellectual property cases. That work leads to our next project.
- 2. We have gathered all of the rules implemented by the current pilot patent courts. We will be working this winter to provide a working draft to the court's Rules Committee for review and comment in time to have a document for the Advisory Committee at the spring meeting.
- 3. Professor Menell has been working to integrate edits from the Federal Judicial Center on the next edition of Patent Case Management Judicial Guide.
- 4. We have monitored two *pro se* patent cases that have been referred to the court's new *pro se* referral program.

## 5. Other outreach:

On June 25, 2015, I participated in a panel at the Federal Circuit's Bench & Bar Conference in "Due Process (Administrative Practice Across All Jurisdictions)," where the court's intellectual property practice was discussed.

On December 2–4, 2015, I will attend the first Advisory Meeting to review and discuss Preliminary Draft 1 of the AEI's New Restatement of the Law, Copyright in Philadelphia.

On March 4, 2016, I will be participating in the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Institute for Intellectual Property and Social Justice at Howard Law School.

On March 11, 2016, I will be participating in a panel discussion on claim construction at AIPLA's Quarterly Journal Symposium.