THE ANNUAL KATZ-KILEY LECTURE

Thursday, October 13, 1994
Grand Ballroom, Omni Hotel
Houston, Texas

Presiding: Hon. Helen Nies,
U.S. Court of Appeals for the
Federal Circuit, Washington, D.C.
A major commitment of the Intellectual Property Program of the University of Houston Law Center is its effort to improve the intellectual property laws and the quality, timeliness, and cost-effectiveness of intellectual property litigation in the United States. The annual Katz-Kiley Lecture is a central feature in carrying out that commitment. Named after two leading exponents of intellectual property law reform, Ronald A. Katz of Los Angeles and Thomas D. Kiley of Hillsborough, CA, the lecture features an address by the current year's Katz Kiley Fellow and commentaries by judges, practitioners, and business persons.

This year's Katz-Kiley Fellow is John Pegram, of the New York law firm of Davis, Hoxie, Faithfull & Hapgood. A leading practitioner, scholar, and writer in the field of patent law, Mr. Pegram brings to this year's lecture a wealth of practical experience in dealing with the problems of complexity, and cost inherent in our present system of patent litigation.

We are pleased to welcome as presiding officer for this year's program Judge Helen Nies of the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. As a member of the court, Judge Nies has devoted much of her professional life to the advancement of one of the main goals of the Katz-Kiley Lecture: rational enforcement of the intellectual property laws.

It is our good fortune also to have as a speaker at this year's event Chief Judge Norman Black of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. A tireless proponent of improvements in patent litigation, Judge Black has been an inspiration for students and teachers in the Law Center's Intellectual Property Program.

You are cordially invited to attend the program. There is no charge, but seating is limited. To reserve a seat and attend the reception, please telephone Kimberly Lopez at IPP, (713)743-2180 by Friday, October 7, 1994.
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5:45 Convening of speakers and guests.

6:00 Welcoming remarks, introduction of Messrs. Katz and Kiley.
(Professor Janicke)

Remarks of Tom Kiley on the patent system's future role in modern capital formation, especially in biotechnology.

Remarks of Ronald Katz on areas of possible improvement for patent litigation from the businessman's point of view.

6:30 Introduction of presiding Judge Nies.
(Professor Janicke)

Remarks of Judge Nies on accomplishments of, and challenges to, the Federal Circuit in clarification of the patent law.

6:50 Introduction of John Pegram, the 1994 Katz-Kiley Fellow.
(Judge Nies)

The Katz-Kiley lecture.
(Mr. Pegram)

7:20 Introduction of Chief Judge Norman Black.
(Judge Nies)

Remarks of Chief Judge Black on improvement of administration of patent litigation in district courts.

7:35 Questions and answers.
(Judge Nies)

(Professor Janicke)

7:50 Reception at the Palm Court, Omni Hotel. (Reservations required.)
The Program was established by the Dean of the University of Houston Law Center in December 1991, at the request of his Intellectual Property Advisory Board, a group of distinguished IP practitioners in the Houston area. The program's mission is threefold: (i) To administer the IP courses (presently twelve) at the Law Center in both J.D. and LL.M. programs; (ii) to undertake conferences, lectures, and other vehicles for continuing education and professional enhancement of IP lawyers; and (iii) to assist the courts, through research, in improving the timeliness, quality, and cost-effectiveness of administering the IP laws of the United States in the courts.

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