

PTAB Bar Association

2025 Thought Leader Summit

California Agenda

(This Agenda is Subject to Change)

2:00pm-2:15pm

Thought Leader Summit Welcome and Opening Remarks

*Mary Fuller, Regional Director, Western Regional Office USPTO
Lissi Mojica and Lisa Nguyen, PTAB Bar Assoc. Board of Directors*

2:15pm-2:35pm

Keynote Remarks

Acting Vice Chief Judge Michelle Ankenbrand, USPTO

2:35pm-3:35pm

Session 1 (CLE credit)

Latest Discretionary Denial Trends and Developments

*Moderator: Jacqueline Bonilla, Sterne Kessler Goldstein & Fox PLLC
Panel: David Dehoney, Samsung Electronics
Ben Haber, O'Melveny & Myers LLP
Courtney Quish, Fortress Investment Group
Kenneth Weatherwax, Lowenstein & Weatherwax LLP*

3:35pm-3:50pm

Break

3:50pm-4:00pm

Recorded Remarks

Senator Thom Tillis (R-NC)

4:00pm-5:00pm

Session 2 (CLE credit) Round Table Discussions

Topics Include:

- *Latest Director Review Decisions*
- *Alternatives to IPRs/PGRs (e.g., EPRs)*
- *Winning Arguments Under the New Bifurcated Process*
- *Other Discretionary Denial Strategies*

5:00pm-6:30pm

Networking Reception