

FEATURE POST



CIPO at the Empowering Women Entrepreneurs symposium

March 7, 2019 by Darlene Carreau

It was an enormous pleasure for me to participate in IP Osgoode's "[Empowering Women Entrepreneurs: Effective Strategies for IP Commercialization and Success](#)" symposium on February 11. I'd like to thank all the volunteers, organizers, participants, fellow panelists and guests who made this experience so memorable for me and many others.

The Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) made building IP awareness and education one of the key pillars of our [Five Year Business Strategy 2017-2022](#). Through the program we established, we've been able to engage directly with partners with a keen interest in growing IP knowledge, and helping business use their IP more strategically. In particular, our IP Awareness and Education Program has made a point of reaching out to women entrepreneurs, who traditionally have been less likely to use IP, to help them become more IP savvy and give them tools for business success that flow from their IP.

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The Future Is Female: Empowering Women Entrepreneurs Symposium at Osgoode Hall Law School

March 7, 2019 by Gillian Burrell and Summer Lewis

Canadian women are in a strong position to excel in the business world, but something is still holding them back. In 2013, [47%](#) of small to medium-sized enterprises in Canada were entirely or partly owned by women, and those businesses that are majority owned by women experience more growth and were less affected by the 2008 recession than men-owned enterprises. Nonetheless, women are largely absent from the ownership and management of large corporations. Could intellectual property (IP) help to level the playing field? Despite being more aware of IP issues than their male counterparts, women entrepreneurs are far less likely to register their IP.

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The Dark Side of Wearable Technology

March 7, 2019 by Saba Samanian

In an [earlier post](#), I discussed how wearables are becoming prominent in modern life, with Toronto being a notable hotspot for technology development and related interest. From a legal perspective, there are two main concerns with wearable technology: privacy and product liability. This instalment in the Toronto Wearables Series will focus on the former.

This is the second post in the Toronto Wearables Series by Saba Samanian regarding wearable technology and its IP and privacy law implications. Saba was recently appointed the Toronto Ambassador for Women of Wearables and seeks to do her part in fostering the wearables community in Toronto.

Saba Samanian is an IPilogue Editor and JD Candidate at Osgoode Hall Law School.

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March 25 - IP Osgoode Speaks Series ft. Prof Lior Zemer on "The Fallacy of Constitutional IP"

Wednesday March 25, 2019
2:30 PM to 4:00 PM
Osgoode Hall Law School, Room 2027

Lior Zemer is the Vice Dean and Professor of Law at the Radzyner School of Law, Interdisciplinary Centre, Herzliya, Israel, Director of the MA Program in Law, Technology and Business Innovation and a Visiting Professor at Boston University School of Law. He held academic positions at the faculties of law in Leicester, Birmingham and UCL, and a visiting position at Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto. Prior to joining legal academia he served as the assistant lawyer to Judge J.D. Cooke at the European Court of First Instance and Judge S. von Bahr at the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg. Professor Zemer's research interests include Intellectual property law and policy, jurisprudence, international and European law.

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May 13-14, 2019

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IP Picks of the Week

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office releases [new report](#) on trends and characteristics of U.S. women inventors.

CBA Law Student Essay Contest – IP. Note that the deadline for submissions has been extended to **March 28, 2019**. Through the contest, the Section seeks to promote and reward interest in Intellectual Property topics in Canadian law schools, and to promote participation by Canadian law students in the CBA IP Section activities. Click [here](#) for more details.

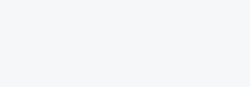
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