

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AS A TOOL IN TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

PATRICIA A. O. BUNYE

Senior Partner
Cruz Marcelo & Tenefrancia

President-Elect
Licensing Executives Society International



Role of the Practitioner in Trademark Licensing and Technology Transfer Agreements

- I. Identify and protect the client's IP; development of IP portfolio and protection plan
- II. Conducting IP Due Diligence
- III. Risk Management: Review of Licensing Agreements ("LA") and Technology Transfer Agreements ("TTA") including advice on tax implications
- IV. Transacting and coordinating with government agencies (*i.e.*, DITTB /IPO; BIR; SEC)



Creation of an IP Protection Plan

- What do I have? Is it adequately protected? Ensure that all the IP generated and/or possessed are captured and protected
- What do my competitors have? Am I at risk of being charged with infringement?
- Do I have a strategic plan to leveraging of these IP assets to increase revenues and identify new market opportunities?



Conducting IP Audit/IP Due Diligence

- IP AUDIT:
- Determine what IP you have, what are used and what need not be maintained.
- Includes assessment of the value of IP for purposes of sale or valuation



Review of LAs and TTAs

1.In the Philippines: COMPLY WITH IP CODE PROVISIONS ON VOLUNTARY LICENSING

2. Identification of issues: legal, financial, technical



Transacting with Government Agencies

- Documentation, Information, and Technology Transfer Bureau (DITTB)
- ii. Philippine Intellectual Property Office (IPO)
- iii. Bureau of Internal Revenue(BIR)
- iv. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)



Advancing the business of intellectual property globally





WHAT IS LES?

A premier global business association for licensing whose members, as individuals worldwide, are actively involved in business activities concerned with transfer of technology and intellectual property rights.

- An association of individual societies cooperating under one umbrella.
- The first society (LES USA) was founded in 1965.
- The latest society (LES Thailand) was was admitted on 12 April 2015
- 33 Member Societies
- 85 Countries represented
- 10,000 Individual Members
- Worldwide

MISSION OF LES

To function as a non-profit professional organization to broadly support LES Societies in their efforts on behalf of individual members by:

- Setting and promoting of consistent, high professional standards for licensing executives on a global basis
- Creating and maintaining various geographically based LES Societies with the necessary quantity and balance of local members
- Providing organizational leadership, coordination and advice
- Facilitating professional networking between the members of LES Societies
- Providing quality educational content to, and facilitating the sharing of educational content between, LES Societies
- To inform and interact with global organizations and policy forums concerning the economic significance and importance of licensing and other transfer of technology and intellectual property rights.

Who are members of LES

- Managing Directors and Company Executives
- Small Business Entrepreneurs
- University Licensors and Campus Company Managers
- Venture Capitalists
- Inventors
- Accountants
- Scientists and Engineers
- Lawyers
- Patent and Trademark Attorneys
- Academics
- Government Representatives
- Technology Brokers and Consultants

Benefits of Membership

- Networking
- Business Opportunities
- Education
- Common Issues / Experience
- Quarterly Journal les Nouvelles
- International Membership Directory
- Access to LES websites
- Publications and Educational material
- National, Regional and International Conferences
- Licensing Courses
- Special Interest seminars and workshops

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- LESI conference 10 15 April 2015 Brussels
- LESI conference 2016 Beijing
- LESI Conference 2017 Paris
- LESI Conference 2018 Yokohama



Board of Directors 2014 - 2015

President Jim Sobieraj (LES USA & Canada)

Past President Arnaud Michel (LES France)

President Elect Patricia Bunye (LES Philippines)

Secretary François Painchaud (LES USA & Canada)

Treasurer Eduardo Mello E Souza (LES Brazil)

Vice Presidents Fiona Nicolson (LES B&I)

Audrey Yap (LES Singapore)

John Paul (LES USA & Canada)

Omer Hiziroglu (LES Turkey)

Counsel Michael Lechter (LES USA & Canada)

Junichi Yamazaki (LES Japan)



Ad Hoc Committees (LESI)

- Global Technology Impact Forum
- Young Members Congres



Thank you

PATRICIA A. O. BUNYE

Senior Partner



6th, 7th, 8th, 10th Floors, CVCLAW Center 11th Avenue corner 39th Street Bonifacio Triangle Bonifacio Global City 1634 P.O. Box 3559 Makati Central

> Tel. No.: +632.810.5858 Fax No.: +632.810.3838

Website: www.cruzmarcelo.com E-mail: po.bunye@cruzmarcelo.com