

Intellectual Property: Legal Issues and Social Justice Impact in the Information Age

Thursday, November 12, 2009 4-6 p.m. University of Maine School of Law 246 Deering Ave., Portland

This two-hour program explores how patent, copyright and trademark law can be instruments of social justice and social engineering. Join Lateef Mtima, our visiting scholar from Howard University and director of its Institute for Intellectual Property and Social Justice, as well as trademark and patent experts Phillip Hampton and Thomas Irving, for a discussion of how intellectual property law and lawyers can be agents for the socioeconomic advancement of marginalized communities.

Admission is free but seating is limited. For Maine attorneys, 1.5 hours of <u>ethics</u> CLE have been secured.

Chair:

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Panelists

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