

Speaker Profiles

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Professor Farley frequently appears in the media as an IP expert and is regularly invited to speak at ABA, AIPLA and INTA conferences. She currently serves on an INTA Presidential Task Force on Brands and Innovation, and has recently been selected as a Fulbright Specialist for intellectual property law. Before teaching, Professor Farley was an associate specializing in intellectual property litigation with Rabinowitz, Boudin, Standard, Krinsky & Lieberman in New York.



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She also researches and publishes in intellectual property and health and is the author of Intellectual Property, Medicine and Health (2009) and editor of Patenting Lives: Life Patents, Culture and Development (2008). Gibson is also the Editor-In-Chief of the peer-reviewed quarterly journal, Queen Mary Journal of Intellectual Property.



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Dr Khin Mar Yee has been working as Professor and Head of Department of Law University of Yangon, Myanmar since 2005. She has over 31 years teaching experiences. She received her Master Degree in 1986 and got her PhD degree in the field of Intellectual Property Law in 2003 from University of Yangon. In 2000, she attended Special Training on International Civil and Commercial Law in Japan and Intensive Training Workshop on Intellectual Property Law in Thailand. In 2003, she had been to Switzerland and France for attending "Interregional Intermediate Seminar on Industrial Property" sponsored by WIPO.

From 3.12.2007 to 20.2.2008, she was a member of the commissioner of the Drafting Commission of the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar. Between 2008 and 2010, she acted as a member of Delegation and Negotiation for Maritime Boundary Delimitation between Bangladesh and Myanmar and travelled to India, Bangladesh, USA and Germany for that purpose. In 2012, she was at Toulouse University of France for teaching purpose in January and attended Joint Meeting of the Open Society Foundations at the Central



European University (CEU) in Hungary. In 2013, she went Nagoya University in Japan for International Symposium on Intellectual Property Rights.In 2014, she studied tour on Leadership and Public Policy Administration Yangon University Program in Oxford University, UK and acted as Delegation of University of Yangon, Law Department and travelled to Australia National University, Canberra, Australia and then she went Columbia University to conduct research for OSF Civil Society Award.

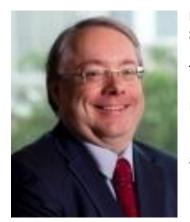


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Before moving to live in Singapore in 2010, as well as teaching on the London LLM since 1982, he practised as a solicitor in London for more than 25 years after qualifying with Linklaters and latterly was the partner heading the European IP/IT practice at White & Case in London. From 2005 to 2007 David was Director of the IP Academy Singapore and between 2007 and 2012 its Deputy Chairman & External Director.



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Ms. ZHENG has great interest in geographical indication, which she thinks is the most closely connected intellectual property to a nation's agricultural development. So it is of greater meaning to China, which remains a developing country and counts on its agriculture significantly.