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TO: Membership of The New York Intellectual Property Law Association

FROM: Board of Directors

DATE: April 23, 2024

Statement of Purpose for Proposed Amendments to NYIPLA Bylaws

As per the requirements of current NYIPLA Bylaws Article XII (“Amendments Article”), PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT:

1. The NYIPLA Board has voted to approve the proposed amendments to the NYIPLA Bylaws (attached hereto in a redlined document reflecting the proposed amendments).

2. As per item Number 3., contained in the “April 8, 2024 Notice of NYIPLA 2024 Annual Meeting”, the proposed amendments are submitted herewith to each NYIPLA member entitled to vote, for a vote, in person or by proxy, at the Annual Meeting on May 8, 2024.

3. The statement of purpose for each of the proposed amendments is as follows:

Amendment of Article II: To include all categories of IP law without a limiting list and to clarify language.

Amendment of Article III: To clarify language and to update and to clarify membership requirements.

Amendment of Article IV: To clarify language.

Amendment of Article IV, Section 8: To update and conform to current practice.

Amendment of Article V: To clarify language.

Amendment of Article V, Section 5: To update and conform to current practice.

Amendment of Article V, Section 6: To formalize stated attendance requirements and responsibilities for Board Member participation.

Amendment of Article V, Section 7: To establish formal quorum requirements for the NYIPLA Board approval voting process concerning Amicus Brief Committee proposed filings when the number of conflicted Board members reduces the number of Board members eligible to cast a vote.

Amendment of Article VI: To clarify language.

Amendment of Article VII: To clarify language.

Amendment of Article VIII: To clarify language.

Amendment of Article IX: To clarify language.

Amendment of Article X: To clarify language.

New Article XII – “Chapters and Divisions”:

New Article XII, Section 1: To increase membership by expanding the NYIPLA footprint within New York State.

New Article XII, Section 2: To provide an organized NYIPLA presence at the New York law schools and to create a stronger bond with the NYIPLA student members motivating them to remain members post-graduation.

New Article XIII (Amendment of Current Article XII): To clarify language.