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Photo outline:

Patent Attorney Vern Maine displays the AIPPI Congress News from the September intellectual property law convention in Boston.

NH Patent Law Firm at 41st World Intellectual Property Congress

Vern Maine on Organizing Committee!

Nashua NH - Vern Maine & Associates was the only New Hampshire-based patent law firm represented at the week-long 41st World Intellectual Property Congress in Boston in September. AIPPI, an international association of intellectual property law practitioners, is the oldest global intellectual property association, and has the respect and ear of governments and global organizations such as the World Intellectual Property Organization and the World Trade Organization. Since it was founded in 1897, AIPPI has been consulted (and still is) by decision makers worldwide on current intellectual property issues.

"The practice of intellectual property law requires a global perspective." observed Attorney Vern Maine, founder of the firm. "There is no substitute for meeting with fellow practitioners from around the world, to improve our understanding and ability to serve our clients on a global scale."

The Boston Congress, held in the United States for the first time in 33 years, attracted over 2,000 participants, including highly experienced and respected outside intellectual property counsel, corporate intellectual property counsel, academics and judges from around the world.



Maine and his staff also served on the Organizing Committee for the Congress, coordinating a comprehensive program of workshops, roundtable discussions, mock trials, panel discussions and unique social events, all designed to encourage learning, networking and interaction among the participants. Various presentations featured the heads of the three main patent offices (European Patent Office; United States Patent and Trademark Office and the Japan Patent Office) and a judges' panel discussion featuring the top IP judges from seven major jurisdictions offered participants an opportunity to hear opinions on topics of universal interest, such as the 'inventive step' or 'non-obviousness' requirement for patents."

Established in 1993 in Nashua, N.H., Vern Maine & Associates provides patent and trademark law services to domestic and foreign clients, often coordinating with corporate counsel to insure that business goals are being advanced with intellectual property strategies. For more information, visit www.vernmaine.com or call 603-886-6100.

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