

U.S. COPYRIGHT OFFICE

Software-Enabled Consumer Products Study

UC Hastings College of the Law, Alumni Reception Center San Francisco, CA

Tuesday, May 24, 2016

9:00 - 10:00 AM

SESSION 1

The Proper Role of Copyright in Protecting Software-Enabled Consumer Products

This session will explore the role of copyright law as it relates to software, including whether and how software in "everyday products" can be distinguished from other types of software, the rationale and proper scope of copyright protection for embedded software, and the need for interoperability with software-embedded devices.

Ashley Ailsworth Specialty Equipment Market Association
Evan Cox BSA | The Software Alliance

Cathy Gellis Digital Age Defense

Sam McClure Juelsgaard IP & Innovation Clinic/

Engine Advocacy

Andrew Shore Owners' Rights Initiative

Kit Walsh EFF Kyle Wiens iFixit

10:00 - 10:15 AM BREAK

10:15 - 11:15 AM

SESSION 2

Ownership and Contractual Issues

This session will explore the state of contract law vis-à-vis software embedded in everyday products, and how contracts such as end user license agreements impact investment in and the dissemination and use of everyday products, including whether any legislative action in this area is needed.

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Ben Sheffner Motion Picture Association of America, Inc.

Andrew Shore Owners' Rights Initiative

Erica Sollazzo Juelsgaard IP & Innovation Clinic/

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11:15 - 11:30 AM BREAK

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

SESSION 3

Fair Use

This session will explore how courts have applied the fair use doctrine to permit uses of software that ensure reverse engineering and/or interoperability of software with new products and devices.

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Stephen Liu

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12:30 - 1:30 PM LUNCH (ON YOUR OWN)

1:30 - 2:30 PM

SESSION 4

The First Sale Doctrine, Section 117, and Other Limitations and Exceptions

This session will explore whether current limitations on and exceptions to copyright protection adequately address issues concerning software embedded in everyday products, or whether amendments or clarifications would be useful.

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2:30 - 2:45 PM

Observer Comments

Structured opportunity for roundtable observers to provide additional comments on panel topics.