Pathfinder
Emerging Patterns in Arbitration under the Uniform Domain-Name Dispute-Resolution Policy

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**UDRP Information from ICANN and Dispute Resolution Service Providers**
- Policy for resolving trademark based disputes over domain name ownership. This is the document at issue in this Note.

- Summary of general policy and other useful background information on the UDRP.

- Contains Information on when the UDRP went into effect and other key dates in the history of the UDRP.

- Listed of dispute resolution providers approved by ICANN. Includes links to the web sites of each provider.

- Contains statistical information about how many claims have been filed, how many disputes have been resolved, and other information useful in determining the effectiveness of the UDRP.

- Rules for how UDRP proceedings will take place.

- Summary of events and issues from ICANN's recent board meeting.

- Searchable database of all UDRP proceedings and decisions.


  o Summary of proceedings, issues discussed, and proposed changes to the UDRP. This contains significant information regarding protection of geographical locations.

**On Line News Articles**


  o This article and the one above it discuss recent outcries for increased public participation in ICANN operations that took place at ICANN's recent meeting in Montevideo.


  o Discusses the controversy over ownership of country name domains in the new .info top level domain.


  o Discusses new proposals for settling disputes over Canada's .ca domain which are based on the UDRP.


  o Summarizes the recent lawsuit over distribution of .biz domain names.


  o Discusses progress and problems for the UDRP as seen by the heads of WIPO.


  o Summarizes some pros and cons of the current UDRP.
- Discusses differences between initiating a UDRP proceeding and taking a domain name dispute to court.


- Arguments for reforms to the current UDRP.

- Arguments from a member of ICANN alleging that the UDRP is unfair and should be eliminated or reformed.

- Summarizes the dispute resolution systems used for the .biz and .info domain names.

- WIPO debates expanding the UDRP to allow the resolution of more disputes.

- Discusses how the UDRP struggled to handle the recent *Glimcher University Mall* case involving reverse domain name hijacking.

**Law Review Articles, Journal Articles, and Scholarly Works**


- Provides important background information on UDRP policies and discusses recent events in the UDRP timeline.

- Analyzes the results from the first 9 months of the UDRP. While the statistics are now outdated, this presents some strong arguments in favor of the UDRP.

- Discusses the interaction of trademark law with the resolution of domain name disputes.

- Looks at how other countries are dealing with trademark-based domain name disputes. Summarizes events from a number of different countries.


**Cases and Other Materials**

- First U.S. court decision to consider the UDRP's role in the American court system.

- One of a couple of decisions in which geographical locations are not given protection by the UDRP.

- The musician Sting was unable to force a domain transfer from a person who had used sting as his Internet nickname for eight years.

- Reverse domain name hijacking claim not heard after complainant withdraws his complaint.