Established in 1995, the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology (BCLT) is the focal point at the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law for teaching, research, convening, and student activities on issues at the intersection of law and technology.

Situated in the San Francisco Bay Area, BCLT capitalizes on its location:
- at the world’s foremost public research university;
- near Silicon Valley — the center of Internet innovation;
- close to the heart of the biotech revolution;
- on the Pacific Rim, enhancing its global outlook.

The wide-ranging scholarship of BCLT’s faculty frames and advances the law and technology discussion. Equally noteworthy is BCLT’s global community of students, alumni, practicing attorneys, policymakers, and scholars, who come together at BCLT to teach, to learn, and to develop the laws that are shaping — and being shaped by — our technological future.

BCLT was the first center of its kind. Now in its twentieth year, BCLT is continuing to grow, expanding the law school curriculum to better prepare students for practice, convening the legal community for dialogue around vital issues, and broadening Berkeley Law’s international relationships.
The mission of the Berkeley Center for Law & Technology is to foster the beneficial and ethical advancement of technology by guiding the development of intellectual property law, information privacy law, and related areas of law and public policy as they interact with business, science, and technical innovation.

Our Mission
A Scope as Wide as the Internet

Starting with a focus on intellectual property, BCLT has expanded over the years to develop an equally deep expertise on privacy. Our activities now encompass the full range of technology law, including cybercrime and cybersecurity, biotech, entertainment law, telecommunications regulation, and many other areas of constitutional, regulatory, and business law.

Intellectual Property
Over the years, BCLT’s pioneering intellectual property program has provided not only an unmatched classroom education for our students but also a multitude of conferences and other events where scholars, attorneys, and policymakers meet to consider the complex and dynamic issues arising in the field of intellectual property.

Privacy
The Berkeley Law faculty includes leading privacy experts with concentrations spanning international and comparative privacy law, consumer privacy, cybercrime, and the law of government surveillance. In addition to teaching, research, and writing, BCLT faculty directors work with corporations and organizations and testify before legislative hearings and other government bodies.

Digital Entertainment
BCLT is exploring the challenges raised as sports and entertainment law converges with digital technology. Significant conferences and networking opportunities as well as innovative courses such as seminars on music law and video game law provide students an introduction to this diverse and rapidly changing field.

A Global Perspective
In today’s interconnected world, technology law issues are global in scope. Recognizing this, BCLT collaborates with international scholars, lawyers, and public officials to compare the IP and regulatory regimes of various countries and to confront issues surrounding the international development of technology law. BCLT has strong working relationships with universities around the world, including Tel Aviv University, Israel; Renmin University, Beijing; Peking University, Beijing; and the Institute for Information Law, University of Amsterdam.

"Teaching, scholarship, convening, and student activities – these are the core functions of BCLT. Through a uniquely rich catalogue of courses, we train tomorrow’s leaders in technology law. We support our faculty directors’ groundbreaking research and writing about IP, privacy, and other issues. With our ever-expanding community of practitioners and scholars, we convene every year a series of must-attend conferences. We support a host of student-led activities. With the encouragement of Dean Sujit Choudhry, we are expanding our international engagement. Berkeley is the place to come for a law and technology education."

—Jim Dempsey, BCLT Executive Director
Curriculum

Berkeley Law offers a remarkably rich curriculum on technology issues: over 20 courses a year, ranging from the intellectual property survey class to advanced courses and seminars on patent prosecution, antitrust, privacy, cybercrime, biotech, telecoms, the law affecting the entertainment industry — even a course on wine law.

Annually, the faculty directors reassess the curriculum to ensure that it covers emerging topics that our students will encounter in practice. For the Fall of 2015 alone, Berkeley added two new technology law courses:

**Patent Litigation II**
In the last few years, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) has emerged as an important forum for resolution of patent disputes, with a caseload tripling from 564 cases in 2013 to 1494 cases in 2014. Increasingly, new lawyers embarking on a career in patent law are likely to encounter early on a PTAB proceeding. So in 2015, the BCLT faculty directors worked with leading practitioners to create a new course focusing on litigation before the PTAB and the International Trade Commission.

**Berkeley IP Lab**
Berkeley Law is placing an increasing emphasis on well-conceived, rigorous, and creative experiential learning. In 2015, BCLT launched a course that offers students the opportunity to assist real startups as they assess the patent landscape for their innovations. The course, which has both practice and classroom components, pairs Berkeley Law students with startups in the UC Berkeley innovation ecosystem, supervised by practicing lawyers from leading firms in the Bay Area.

**Law & Technology Certificate**
The Law & Technology Certificate recognizes a student’s sustained commitment to technology law through successful completion of a prescribed number of tech-related courses plus participation in a student-led activity. The curricular requirements emphasize depth and breadth while affording students flexibility in adapting their course of study to a range of career paths in this growing field.
Through its conferences, symposia, judicial education programs, and other convenings, BCLT provides a forum where academics from throughout UC Berkeley and beyond, law students, policymakers, judges, practitioners, entrepreneurs, and technology experts can exchange ideas and advance their understanding of complex and rapidly changing areas of the law.

The breadth of topics covered by these events reflects the scope of BCLT. Audio, photos, presentations, and other resources from BCLT events are online: law.berkeley.edu/bclt/pastevents
Intellectual Property

USPTO Copyright Roundtable
Discussion on Remixes, First Sale, and Statutory Damages
July 30, 2014 – Berkeley, CA
At the request of the Patent and Trademark Office, BCLT hosted this event, which sought stakeholder input on the legal framework for the creation of remixes, the relevance and scope of the first sale doctrine in the digital environment, and the appropriate calibration of statutory damages.

14th Annual Intellectual Property Scholars Conference (IPSC)
August 7-8, 2014 – Berkeley, CA
BCLT hosted the 2014 IPSC, presenting a full two-day program in which IP scholars from across the country came together to present and discuss a wide range of in-progress works.

USPTO Multistakeholder Forum on Improving the Operation of the DMCA Notice and Takedown System
October 28, 2014 – Berkeley, CA
The forum provided a collaborative space in which stakeholders discussed best practices and voluntary agreements for improving the operation of the DMCA notice and takedown system.

6th Annual Patent Law and Policy Conference
November 7, 2014 – Washington, D.C.
BCLT and Georgetown University Law Center collaborate to present this unique one-day program, with experts from practice, the academy, government, and the judiciary.

US-China IP Summit
November 7, 2014 – Los Angeles, CA
This all-day conference brought together senior policymakers, academics and practitioners from China and the U.S. The Summit is an annual event co-hosted by Loyola Law School, Los Angeles; Berkeley Center for Law & Technology; and the Renmin University IP Academy.

15th Annual Advanced Patent Law Institute: Silicon Valley (APLI:SV)
December 11-12, 2014 – Palo Alto, CA
Co-organized by BCLT and Stanford Law School, the APLI brings together a nationally recognized faculty of district judges, academics, litigation experts, patent attorneys, and senior IP counsel from major corporations for an in-depth look at the latest developments in the prosecution and litigation of patents.

Intellectual Property Rights in New Value Creation
April 8, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
This workshop, held in collaboration with the IPR University Center, Finland, explored IP developments in Europe.
Privacy and Cybersecurity

October 6, 2014 – Berkeley, CA
Ross Anderson, Professor of Security Engineering at Cambridge University, used the idea of network effects to explore some of the deeper implications of recent revelations about the modern world of government surveillance.

Is Privacy Becoming a Luxury Good? A Discussion with Julia Angwin
February 19, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
Award-winning investigative journalist Julia Angwin shared key insights about privacy and the digital economy, garnered in researching her book Dragnet Nation.

4th Annual BCLT Privacy Law Forum: Silicon Valley
March 13, 2015 – Palo Alto, CA
Leading academics and practitioners discussed the latest developments in privacy law and explored real world privacy law problems.

Cybersecurity Research Workshop
April 9-10, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
Funded by the National Science Foundation, this workshop brought together scholars, practicing lawyers, computer security researchers, and privacy advocates to consider the reforms needed to remove legal barriers to cybersecurity research.

19th Annual BCLT/BTLJ Symposium: Open Data: Addressing Privacy, Security, and Civil Rights Challenges
April 17, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
Six cross-disciplinary teams representing 8 institutions presented preliminary findings of research commissioned by BCLT, with support from Microsoft.

BCLT/BIPLA Present: Professor Neil Richards
April 22, 2015 – Berkeley, CA

8th Annual Privacy Law Scholars Conference (PLSC)
June 4-5, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
Organized jointly by BCLT and the George Washington University Law School, PLSC has become the privacy event of the year. The 2015 conference assembled a wide array of privacy law scholars and practitioners from around the world to discuss current issues and foster greater connections between academia and practice.
A Global Perspective

Law in the Global Marketplace: Intellectual Property and Related Issues
February 24, 2014 – San Francisco, CA
BCLT co-sponsored this one-day conference with Hogan Lovells and UC Hastings, featuring prominent judges, in-house counsel, and leading scholars addressing key issues in IP law across Asia, North America, and Europe.

US-China IP Summit 2014
November 7, 2014 – Los Angeles, CA
This all-day conference brought together senior policymakers, academics and practitioners from China and the U.S. The Summit is an annual event co-hosted by Loyola Law School, Los Angeles; Berkeley Center for Law & Technology; and the Renmin University IP Academy.

US-China IP Summit 2015
October 8-9, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
In 2015, we expand this multi-national conference to two days, bringing together again senior policymakers, leading academics, and practitioners from China and the U.S. to compare developments and to explore the increasingly important relationships between IP protections in the two countries.

Privacy Law Scholars Conference — Europe
October 26, 2015 – Amsterdam
In 2015, BCLT will expand its Privacy Law Scholars Conference to Europe, with a workshop to be held at the Amsterdam Privacy Conference 2015, immediately before the annual Data Protection Commissioners’ Conference. Twenty-four papers will be workshopped.

Judicial Education

Intellectual Property in the New Technological Age
May 19-22, 2015 – Berkeley, CA
Berkeley Law has a long and productive relationship with the Federal Judicial Center (FJC). Since 1998, Professor Peter Menell and BCLT have organized with the FJC an annual intellectual property program for the federal judiciary. More than 500 judges have attended these one-week training sessions, which include lectures by leading scholars and practitioners, panels, and mock hearings.

Professor Menell has also organized for the FJC advanced programs on patent law, copyright law, trademark law, Internet law, and the interplay of IP and bankruptcy law, and he has made numerous presentations on intellectual property for circuit court and district court conferences. Professor Menell has also coordinated production of the Patent Case Management Judicial Guide. Now in its 3rd Edition, with chapters authored by Professor Menell and a team of leading practitioners, the guide is an authoritative resource for both judges and practitioners.

Digital Entertainment

BLEND Networking Event
November 12, 2014 – Los Angeles, CA
The Berkeley Law Entertainment Networking & Development (BLEND) group convened alumni, students, and leading entertainment lawyers and entrepreneurs for a discussion of issues in sports and entertainment law. BLEND is the brainchild of Professor Peter Menell and was founded in Los Angeles by one of his former students, Amber Becerra (’10).

How Next Generation Media Companies Are Disrupting Entertainment Paradigms
March 12, 2015 – Santa Monica, CA
Founders of some of the most creative start-ups in digital media shared insights with Boalt alumni and current students in Professor Menell’s entertainment law class, in this panel presentation and networking mixer organized in coordination with BLEND.

Legal Frontiers in Digital Media
May 14-15, 2015 – Mountain View, CA
BCLT co-hosted the 7th annual iteration of this conference with the Media Law Resource Center, exploring emerging legal issues surrounding digital content in today’s multiplatform world.

For the latest information about BCLT events and programming:

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Kenneth A. Bamberger

**administrative law, technology and governance, information privacy and data governance, the first amendment**

Ken Bamberger is an expert on government regulation and corporate compliance, especially with regard to issues of technology, free expression, and information privacy. Professor Bamberger’s research more generally covers risk regulation, the use of technology in regulation and compliance, and the role of private actors in regulation. *Privacy on the Ground*, his groundbreaking study of corporate privacy practices in the U.S. and Europe (conducted with Professor Deirdre Mulligan), will be published by MIT Press in 2015.

**Recent Publications**


*Selected as a top Privacy Paper of 2013 by the Future of Privacy Forum*


Catherine Crump

**first amendment, fourth amendment**

Catherine Crump is Associate Director of the Samuelson Law, Technology and Public Policy Clinic and Assistant Clinical Professor of Law. Her work focuses on the application of First and Fourth Amendment principles to new technologies, and in particular government surveillance programs. Representative recent litigation includes challenges to the National Security Agency’s mass collection of domestic telephony metadata and to the Department of Homeland Security’s policy of engaging in purely suspicionless searches of cell phones and laptops at the international border. She is a TED fellow and a member of the Constitution Project’s Committee on Policing Reforms.

**Recent Work**

TED talk on automatic license plate readers (2014)
Chris Jay Hoofnagle

privacy, computer crime, online advertising, web privacy measurement

Chris Hoofnagle teaches computer crime law and a seminar on the Federal Trade Commission’s regulation of privacy. Hoofnagle has written extensively in the fields of information privacy, the law of unfair and deceptive practices, consumer law, and identity theft.

Recent Publications


*2014 Computers, Privacy & Data Protection Multidisciplinary Privacy Research Award winner

Peter Menell

intellectual property, computer law, entertainment law, property law, environmental law

Peter Menell is Koret Professor of Law. Reflecting his training in economics and law, Professor Menell’s research focuses principally on the role and design of intellectual property law with particular emphasis on the digital technology and content industries. His current projects explore the role of notice in developing tangible and intangible resources, copyright reform, and the adaptation of content and digital technology industries to the Internet age. He has filed amicus briefs in important Supreme Court cases. During 2012-13, he served as one of the inaugural Thomas Alva Edison Visiting Professionals at the United States Patent & Trademark Office.

Recent Publications


This American Copyright Life: Reflections on Re-equilibrating Copyright for the Internet Age (42nd Brace Lecture), 61 Journal of the Copyright Society of the USA 235 (2014)


Robert P. Merges

Robert Merges is Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati Professor of Law. He is the author of Justifying Intellectual Property, published by Harvard University Press in 2011. A comprehensive statement of mature views on the ethical and economic foundations of IP law, the book reviews foundational philosophical theories of property and contemporary theories about distributive justice and applies them to IP; identifies operational high-level principles of IP law; and, with all this as background, works through several pressing problems facing IP law today. Professor Merges also has undertaken extensive revisions to two of the casebooks he coauthors, to update them in light of the America Invents Act.

Recent Publications
The Path of IP Studies: Growth, Diversification, and Hope, 92 Texas Law Review 1757 (2014) (with Golden & Samuelson)

Deirdre K. Mulligan

Deirdre Mulligan’s current research agenda focuses on information privacy, security, cybersecurity and fairness. Privacy on the Ground: Governance Choices and Corporate Practice in the US and Europe, the culmination of a five-year empirical comparative research project by Professors Mulligan and Bamberger exploring regulatory structures and corporate governance of privacy in five countries, will be published in Fall 2015 by MIT Press. Other areas of research include digital rights management technology and privacy and security issues in sensor networks and visual surveillance systems, and alternative legal strategies to advance network security.

Recent Publications
It’s Not Privacy, and It’s Not Fair, 66 Stanford Law Review Online 35 (2013) (with Cynthia Dwork)
Pamela Samuelson

copyright, patent, internet and digital media, cyberlaw

Pamela Samuelson is Richard M. Sherman Distinguished Professor of Law and Information. Her recent work has focused on updating and adapting U.S. copyright law to meet challenges of the digital age. She has proposed several ways in which the law should be reformed and has considered various modes and venues through which reform might be achieved. Other recent work has focused on mass digitization and intellectual property protection for computer programs, on which she has coauthored several amicus curiae briefs in recent cases. Professor Samuelson is a co-founder of the Authors Alliance.

Recent Publications
Possible Futures of Fair Use, 90 Wash. L. Rev. 815 (2015)
The Path of IP Studies: Growth, Diversification, and Hope, 92 Texas Law Review 1757 (2014) (with Golden & Samuelson)
The Quest for a Sound Conception of Copyright's Derivative Work Right, 101 Georgetown Law Journal 1505 (2013)
Solving the Orphan Works Problem for the United States, 37 Columbia Journal of Law & the Arts 1 (2013) (with Hansen, Hashimoto, Hinze, and Urban)

Paul M. Schwartz

privacy, data security, international data protection law, cyberlaw, intellectual property

Paul Schwartz is Jefferson E. Peyser Professor of Law. His scholarship focuses on how the law has sought to regulate and shape information technology. His most frequently researched topic concerns information privacy and data security. At present, Professor Schwartz is engaged in several different research projects, including research into comparative privacy developments in the U.S. and the European Union as well as the interplay between state and federal privacy law.

Recent Publications
The Battle for Leadership in Education Privacy Law, SafeGov.org (March 27, 2014) (with Daniel Solove)
In Practice: The ‘California Effect’ on Privacy Law, The Recorder (Jan. 2, 2014)
Testimony, Balancing Privacy and Opportunity in the Internet Age, California Assembly Informational Hearing (Dec. 12, 2013)
Information Privacy in the Cloud, 161 University of Pennsylvania Law Review 1623 (2013)
Jennifer M. Urban
copyright, intellectual property, privacy, licensing, emerging artists, patents

Jennifer M. Urban directs the Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic. She is presently working on a series of empirical studies of consumer understandings and attitudes toward privacy in mobile and web applications with Chris Hoofnagle and on the Takedown Project (takedown.org), a broad, collaborative effort to research takedown of content by intermediaries. Her recent paper with Mark Lemley shows that judges with more experience handling patent cases are more likely to rule for defendants, and her recent paper with Chris Hoofnagle empirically questions longstanding research used to support the dominant “notice and choice” regime in privacy regulations. In the Clinic, Professor Urban is working on copyright limitations and exceptions for emerging artists and cultural repositories; privacy in the cloud and in “smart” ecosystems and the “Internet of Things”; and government and private surveillance.

Recent Publications
Alan Westin’s Privacy Homo Economicus, 49 Wake Forest Law Review 261 (2014) (with Chris Jay Hoofnagle)


Solving the Orphan Works Problem for the United States, 37 Columbia Journal of Law & the Arts 1 (2013) (with Hansen, Hashimoto, Hinze, & Samuelson)

Molly S. Van Houweling
copyright, digital media, intellectual property, technology law

Molly Van Houweling is Professor of Law and Associate Dean for J.D. Curriculum and Teaching. Her teaching portfolio includes intellectual property, basic property law, and food law and policy (touching on agricultural innovation and patent policy, among other topics). Much of Professor Van Houweling’s research focuses on copyright law’s implications for new information technologies (and vice versa). One strand of her research explores how legal rules designed to regulate sophisticated commercial actors impact unsophisticated individuals who are empowered by information technology. Professor Van Houweling often explores intellectual property issues using theoretical and doctrinal tools borrowed from the law of tangible property. She is working on a book, tentatively entitled Property’s Intellect, that focuses on these connections. Professor Van Houweling is an Associate Reporter on the American Law Institute’s Restatement of the Law, Copyright, and an Adviser to the Restatement of the Law Fourth, Property. She is a member of the Board of Directors of Creative Commons and Authors Alliance.

Recent Publications
Land Recording and Copyright Reform, 28 Berkeley Technology Law Journal 1497 (2013)


**Fellows**

**Current**

Kevin Hickey is the BCLT Microsoft Research Fellow. Kevin’s scholarship focuses on copyright law and theory. Recent works include *Reframing Similarity Analysis in Copyright*, 93 Washington University Law Review (forthcoming 2015), and *Consent, User Reliance, and Fair Use*, 16 Yale Journal of Law & Technology 397 (2014). Prior to joining BCLT, Kevin was the Furman Academic Fellow at New York University School of Law. He has a J.D. magna cum laude from NYU School of Law and a B.A. in mathematics from Brown University. He was a clerk for the Hon. Diana Gribbon Motz for the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and spent several years practicing intellectual property litigation at Covington & Burling LLP.

Michael Wolfe, Copyright Research Fellow, is developing research and commentary to promote public interest authorship in the digital age. He received his J.D. from Duke in 2013 and holds a B.A. in Social Studies from Harvard. Michael also serves as the Executive Director of Authors Alliance, a non-profit that provides public interest authors with resources on copyright and contract law.

Kathryn Hashimoto is the Copyright Research Fellow. While working in book publishing, she attended the University of San Francisco School of Law and received her J.D. in 2010. She also interned at the Electronic Frontier Foundation.

**Past**

Patrick Goold, 2012-14 BCLT Microsoft Fellow, is currently IP Fellow at Chicago-Kent College of Law. His research interests include competition law, IP law, public international law and legal theory. He completed his undergraduate studies at Newcastle University and holds an LL.M. degree from Cornell University and a Ph.D. in Law from the International Max Planck Research School for Competition and Innovation, Germany.

Michael Mattioli, 2011-12 BCLT Microsoft Fellow, is currently an Associate Professor at the Indiana University Maurer School of Law, where he teaches contracts and a variety of IP courses. His scholarship focuses on communities of innovation. He graduated from Penn Law School in 2007.

Jonas Anderson, 2009-11 BCLT Microsoft Fellow, is currently Associate Professor of Law at American University, Washington College of Law, where he teaches courses in patent law, trade secret law, and real property. He graduated from Harvard Law School in 2006.

Aaron Perzanowski, 2008-09 BCLT Microsoft Fellow, is currently Associate Professor of Law at Case Western Reserve University of Law. His research is in the areas of copyright, trademark, and telecommunications law. He graduated from UC Berkeley School of Law in 2006.

Stuart Graham, 2007-09 BCLT Kauffman Foundation Fellow in Social Science and the Law, served as the first Chief Economist of the USPTO. He teaches and conducts research on the economics of the patent system, IP strategies and transactions, and the relationship of IP to entrepreneurship and the commercialization of new technologies. He is currently an Associate Professor at Georgia Tech Scheller College of Business.

Ted Sichelman, 2008-09 BCLT Kauffman Foundation Legal Research Fellow, is currently Professor of Law at the University of San Diego School of Law, teaching intellectual property law. His current research includes exploring theories of patent remedies, the effects of the patent system on entrepreneurial companies, and the role of patent law in technology commercialization. He graduated from Harvard Law School in 1999.

Miriam Marcowitz-Bitton, 2007-08 BCLT Microsoft Fellow, is currently a Law Professor at Bar-Ilan University in Israel. She writes and teaches in the fields of intellectual property law, law and technology, and property. She earned bachelors of law (LL.B.) and Masters of Law (LL.M.), *magna cum laude*, degrees from the Bar-Ilan University in Israel and LL.M. and S.J.D. degrees from the University of Michigan Law School.
BCLT attracts the very best students and offers them the most comprehensive instructional program available anywhere in law and technology. The unmatched educational experience of Berkeley Law makes its students the most sought-after hiring prospects by top law firms and organizations.

BCLT’s program extends beyond the classroom, providing students diverse opportunities to immerse themselves in the ever-expanding field of technology and the law. From informative networking events to career fairs and more, BCLT supports a number of co-curricular and extracurricular activities to enrich the law school experience.
Student Events

For students interested in law and technology, BCLT provides a wealth of information, guidance, and support, from their first days on campus to graduation and beyond.

**Law & Technology Program Orientation**
BCLT welcomes incoming students with information on the law and technology program as well as related extracurricular opportunities at the law school.

**Fall Reception**
BCLT hosts an annual fall networking mixer for law students and lawyers from top law firms in the Bay Area.

**Spring Career Fair**
BCLT introduces representatives from leading law firms to law students interested in technology law.

**Summer Mixer**
BCLT brings together Berkeley Law students with summer jobs in the Bay Area and lawyers from top law firms for a summer networking opportunity.

**BCLT/BTLJ Law & Tech Speaker Series**
Every Tuesday and Thursday when classes are in session, BCLT and BTLJ bring to the school for a lunchtime talk prominent practitioners who share with students their real-world experience and practical legal knowledge on a wide variety of law and technology-related topics.
Student Groups

BCLT provides administrative and financial support to eight student groups. These groups concentrate on specific legal skills or areas of the law, allowing students to supplement their classroom education. BCLT also provides primary funding to the Moot Court program at Berkeley for its Intellectual Property Law, Technology Law, and Entertainment Law Competitions.

**BERC@Boalt**
BERC@Boalt is the law school branch of the Berkeley Energy & Resources Collaborative, a student-led organization that aims to connect and educate the UC Berkeley energy and resources community. BERC@Boalt helps to inform law students about current legal practice and advances in the fields of energy, climate and clean technologies. It does this through the development of curriculum, the continuing expansion of an alumni and professional network, the promotion of events and discussions centered on green issues, and the creation of a Career Guide for Energy, Climate and CleanTech Law.

**Berkeley Technology Law Journal**
The Berkeley Technology Law Journal (BTLJ) is a student-run publication that covers emerging issues in the areas of intellectual property, privacy and cyberlaw. Since 1986, BTLJ has kept judges, policymakers, practitioners, and the academic community abreast of the dynamic field of technology law. The Journal’s membership of approximately 150 students publishes three issues of scholarly work each year, plus the Annual Review of Law and Technology. The Annual Review is a distinctive issue of the Journal published in collaboration with BCLT and is comprised entirely of student-written pieces discussing the most important recent developments in this sector.

Each year, BTLJ co-hosts the Annual BCLT/BTLJ Symposium. For each conference, BTLJ publishes a symposium issue, featuring articles by presenters at the conference. These symposia often pioneer new areas of research by introducing significant topics that have yet to enter the public discourse.

**Berkeley Information Privacy Law Association**
The Berkeley Information Privacy Law Association (BIPLA) serves as a forum for students, faculty and others interested in the various facets of information privacy law. The Association organizes meetings, events, talks, and seminars. It aims to develop a strong network of people committed to overcoming privacy challenges posed by the digital world.

**boalt.org**
boalt.org is Berkeley Law’s public interest and technology group. It meets regularly to network, share resources and ideas, build community, and discuss trends in law and technology. It works with the Boalt community and with other campus initiatives to foster collaboration and improve legal innovation, design, and technology.

**Consumer Advocacy and Protection Society**
The Consumer Advocacy and Protection Society (CAPS) is dedicated to promoting consumer protection law at Berkeley. Its mission is to connect students interested in consumer protection issues, organize and host consumer-related events, network with the greater consumer law community, and promote the availability of courses and clinical opportunities related to consumer protection law. Its listserv delivers information about consumer protection jobs and major developments in consumer law.

**Healthcare and Biotech Law Society**
Members of the Healthcare and Biotech Law Society examine and analyze the intersection between law, society, policy, and science. Their mission is to explore emerging health/biotech issues and to stimulate the intellectual and professional development of Boalt students interested in these subjects. They do this by organizing networking events with practitioners, promoting health and biotech courses at the law school, and increasing interaction between the law school and other healthcare and biotech-related institutions at UC Berkeley and beyond.
Student Groups (Continued)

Patent Law Society
The Patent Law Society (PLS) provides a forum for students interested in practicing patent law to discuss and debate the latest developments in this specialty and to interact, network and exchange ideas with others interested in the field. The group invites patent law practitioners to the school to share their experiences with students.

Sports and Entertainment Law Society
The mission of the Sports and Entertainment Law Society (SELS) is to educate the Berkeley Law community about legal opportunities and issues in the entertainment and sports industries. SELS creates opportunities for students to network with each other and with legal professionals in these industries. During the academic year, SELS sponsors guest lectures and social events.

Partnerships

BCLT has expanded its presence within and beyond the law school, developing relationships locally, nationally, and internationally. BCLT works closely with other programs at the Law School, including the Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic and the Berkeley Center for Law, Business, and the Economy. BCLT is also involved in cross-disciplinary programs with other schools and departments on the UC Berkeley campus.

Samuelson Law, Technology & Public Policy Clinic
Founded in 2001, the Samuelson Law, Technology and Public Policy Clinic (SLTPPC) provided the first opportunity in legal academia for students to represent public interest clients in key debates and litigation at the intersection of law and technology. Today, it is the leader in a growing movement of clinics that give law students hands-on training in advocacy in the areas of IP, technology, and civil liberties.

Berkeley Center for Law, Business and the Economy
The Berkeley Center for Law, Business and the Economy (BCLBE) is Berkeley Law’s hub for rigorous, relevant, empirically based research and education on the interrelationships of law, business, and the economy. BCLBE’s areas of focus include technology innovation and commercialization and financing in the tech sector. BCLT and BCLBE collaborate on events and programs exploring the continuum of legal issues crucial to innovation and the start-up ecosystem.
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November 12, 2015  
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