Biotechnology/Chemical/Pharmaceutical Customer Partnership Monday, November 6, 2017 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET

United States Patent and Trademark Office, USPTO Main Campus (Alexandria, VA), Madison Auditorium

AGENDA

10:00–10:10 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Daniel Sullivan Director, TC1600, USPTO
		Wanda Walker Director, TC1600, USPTO
		Andrew Wang Director, TC1600, USPTO
10:10–10:40 a.m.	Application Readiness	Martin Rater, Senior Statistician, USPTO
10:40–11:40 a.m.	112(b)-Practitioners' Perspectives	Melissa Brand, IP Policy Director, BIO; Rachel Elsby, Counsel, Akin Gump
11:40 a.m.–12:10 p.m.	BREAK/LUNCH BREAK	
12:10–1:30 p.m.	112(b) Discussion Panel	Moderator: Bennett Celsa, QAS, TC1600 Panelists: Melissa Brand, IP Policy Director, BIO Jessica Marks, Associate, Finnegan Jeffery Fredman, APJ, PTAB Jean Witz, SPE, CRU Mary Till, Senior Legal Advisor, OPLA Janet Andres, SPE, TC1600 Zachariah Lucas, QAS, TC1600

1:30–1:40 p.m.

BREAK

1:40–2:40 p.m.	Personalized Medicine	Bruce Kisliuk, Senior Patent Counselor, Patent & Innovation Strategies Group Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C.
2:40–3:30 p.m.	Prosecution Tips and Traps for Patent Applications Examined Under the AIA	Kathleen Fonda, Senior Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration (OPLA), USPTO
3:30–3:40 p.m.	BREAK	
3:40–4:40 p.m.	Tips on Filing Reissue Applications	Jean Witz, SPE, CRU
4:40–5:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks	Directors, TC1600, USPTO