

SOCIETY OF PHYSICS STUDENTS (SPS) EVENT

## What Science Majors Should Know About Patents

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Abstract:

Attorney Harry Cornett will discuss the United States patent laws and the operation of the Patent and Trademark Office. He will give examples of interesting patents and explain what happens in a patent infringement lawsuit. His talk will include anecdotes from his 38 years as a trial lawyer. His cases have included murder and assault trials, trade secrets, patents, medical and legal malpractice, products liability and a wide variety of business litigation. He has tried over 100 jury trials in numerous states including California, Texas, Ohio, Indiana and West Virginia. His talk will be of special interest to physics and science majors who are considering becoming lawyers or patent agents. Also, anyone considering employment in academia or in an industry that may involve patenting inventions of any kind will find the talk to be of value. After almost 40 years as a confirmed liberal arts guy, Mr Cornett spent the last 4 years pursuing a physics degree at CSU. He graduated in December 2009.

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