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Domain Name Panelists Meeting

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PROGRAM

- 08.15 – 09.00 Registration and coffee
- 09.00 – 09.15 Overview and developments
- Erik Wilbers
Acting Director, WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center
Head, Domain Name Dispute Resolution Section
- 09.15 – 09.35 Registrars and the UDRP – registrars as registrants, and other conundrums
The *GE* (D2007-1834), *Ricard* (D2008-0789), *Canwest* (D2008-0687) and
Eva Padberg (D2007-1886) cases
- Matthew Harris and Peter L. Michaelson
- 09.35 – 10.05 Privacy and proxy registration services – the settling dust?
Identifying the proper respondent; mutual jurisdiction; assessing chain of
ownership in privacy cases
The *BME* (D2008-0882) and *HSBC* (D2007-0062) cases, and others
- William Towns and Richard Lyon

- 10.05 – 10.25 Bulk registrations and shielded acquisition of domain name portfolios
The *iFranchise* (D2007-1438) and *Ticketmaster* (D2007-1921) cases

M. Scott Donahey
- 10.25 – 10.45 *Coffee Break*
- 10.45 – 11.05 Assessing claims of common law rights in UDRP cases
The *BS* case (D2008-1010)

Tony Willoughby and Frederick Abbott
- 11.05 – 11.30 The evolution of ‘willful blindness’ under the UDRP
The *Grundfos* case (D2007-1448) and others

Warwick Smith
- 11.30 – 11.45 Domain name registration in contemplation of possible third party rights
The *Shelbox* case (D2008-0404)

Brigitte Joppich
- 11.45 – 12.10 Two procedural determinations: 1. mutual jurisdiction and ambiguous
registration agreements; 2. supplemental filing tactics

Richard Lyon
- 12.10 – 12.30 PPC pages and descriptive domain names – generic v. trademark value
The *mVisible Technologies* (D2007-1141) and *Asian World of Martial Arts*
(D2007-1415) cases

David Bernstein
- 12.30 – 14.00 *Lunch*
- 14.00 – 14.20 Universal v. local – applying national law in UDRP cases
The *Chelsea* (D2007-1379) and *Calvin Ayre* (D2007-1947) cases

Jonathan Turner

- 14.20 – 15.20 Criticism sites and other free speech – bridging the divide?
The *Sermo* (D2008-0647), *1066* (D2007-1461), *Calvin Ayre* (D2007-1947),
Covance (D2004-0206) cases, and others
- Panel: David Bernstein
Matthew Harris
Harini Narayanswamy
Miguel O’Farrell
Alistair Payne
Jonathan Turner
- Moderator: Warwick Smith
- 15.20 – 15.40 Updates on Center procedure – language, registrar verification, privacy,
mutual jurisdiction
- David Roache-Turner
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- 15.40 – 16.00 *Coffee Break*
- 16.00 – 16.20 Dealing with respondent consent to transfer; informal consents
- Linda Chang and Tony Willoughby
- 16.20 – 16.50 New gTLDs and rights protection mechanisms
- Eun-Joo Min
WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center
- 16.50 – 17.30 Open Floor: Issues raised by participants
- 17.30 – 18.00 Update on the World Intellectual Property Organization
- Francis Gurry
Director General-Elect
- 18.00 CLOSING FOLLOWED BY COCKTAIL RECEPTION