



**CAROLINA**  
**PATENT TRADEMARK & COPYRIGHT**  
**LAW ASSOCIATION**  
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**SPRING MEETING**  
**MAY 2, 2025**

The Association will hold its annual Spring Meeting on **Friday, May 2, 2025**, at **Truist Field** in uptown Charlotte, North Carolina.

The formal program will begin promptly at 1:00 PM in the Diamonds Direct Luxury Lounge at Truist Field. Arrival and sign-in will begin at 12:30 PM. We will have approximately 3.0 hours of CLE, including 1.0 hour of ethics CLE, followed by a cocktail reception at the Rooftop Area at Truist Field. We are excited to have the following speakers:

**Tim Hargreaves** of Marks & Clerk LLP will present "*The Unitary Patent and Unified Patents Court – The New Patent Landscape in Europe and What US attorneys Need to Know.*"

**Vincent Galluzzo** of K&L Gates LLP will present "*Trade Secret Thieves Hate This One Weird Trick (Practical Tips for Protecting Trade Secrets).*"

**Brad Pearce** of Pearce Law PLLC and on behalf of The North Carolina Lawyers Assistance Program will present "*Calm in the Midst of Chaos.*"

**SPRING MEETING REGISTRATION**

Please register online at [www.cptcla.org/spring-register.php](http://www.cptcla.org/spring-register.php) if you plan to attend. The registration fee for the meeting is \$150 for CPTCLA members and \$200 for non-members. If your membership is not current, you must pay the annual association dues per the instructions below.

**MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION AND DUES**

Annual Association dues for 2025 are \$50, and are due unless you have otherwise paid separately in 2025. For new members, there is a \$50 initiation fee in addition to the \$50 annual dues if this is your first-ever CPTCLA event.

**CLE ACCREDITATION**

The Association will be requesting the maximum possible credits for the spring program. The Association will be responsible for filing the necessary paperwork with both North Carolina and South Carolina to obtain such credits. The Association is glad to provide any requested documentation to assist those registered in states other than North and South Carolina in obtaining credits in other jurisdictions.

**DIRECTIONS / INFORMATION FOR THE SPRING MEETING**

Truist Field is located at 324 South Mint Street, Charlotte, NC 28202. Public parking is available on adjoining streets.

Please visit the Association's website for more information about the Spring and Fall Meetings and to Register online at: [www.cptcla.org](http://www.cptcla.org)

**CURRENT OFFICERS**

<b>President:</b>	<b>Lillian Fant</b>
<b>First VP:</b>	<b>Bryce Rufener</b>
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<b>IT Officer:</b>	<b>Alex Long, Jr.</b>

**COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

<b>N.C. CLE:</b>	<b>Ani Agrawal</b>
<b>S.C. CLE:</b>	<b>John Rappold</b>
<b>Spring Meeting Chair:</b>	<b>Bryce Rufener</b>
<b>Fall Meeting Chair:</b>	<b>John Dresch</b>

**CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS**

<b>Terms Expiring 2025:</b>	<b>Jeff Watson</b> <b>John Rappold</b>
<b>Terms Expiring 2026:</b>	<b>Jamie Gilmer</b> <b>Ani Agrawal</b>
<b>Terms Expiring 2027:</b>	<b>Ryan Regan</b>

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The CPTCLA 2025 Fall Meeting will be hosted **September 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>** at the **Kiawah Island Golf Resort** near Charleston, South Carolina! Rooms in the block can be booked by calling Kiawah Resort at 1-888-601-4904 and requesting a room for the CPTCLA Fall Event or at <https://kiawahresort.com/reservation-request/cptcla-fall-meeting-350/>. The per night rates for the block are \$230 for 1BR, \$310 for 2BR, and \$355 for 3BR, plus taxes and fees.

**JULIAN E. CARNES SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

The Association currently awards two annual scholarships under the Julian E. Carnes Scholarship Fund. One award is presented to a student at UNC Charlotte, and the other award is presented to a student at Clemson University. To make a contribution, please make checks payable directly to the "Foundation for the Carolinas" (Not CPTCLA) and indicate that it is for the Julian E. Carnes Scholarship Fund. Please mail your donation to:

Foundation for the Carolinas  
P.O. Box 34769  
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All requests for refunds must be made in writing to the [CPTCLABoard@gmail.com](mailto:CPTCLABoard@gmail.com) address and must be received by 12PM Noon on **Friday, April 18, 2025.**