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Robert B. Washburn Awarded the PIPLA Distinguished Intellectual Property Practitioner Award

Philadelphia – The Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association (PIPLA) held its 25th Annual Federal Circuit Year In Review meeting and elections at the Union League on May 20th. At the meeting, Robert B. Washburn, a founding member of Woodcock Washburn LLP, was awarded the second annual PIPLA Distinguished Intellectual Property Practitioner Award. The award is presented to a PIPLA member with a distinguished career who has made outstanding contributions to the association and to the Philadelphia regional IP community.

After practicing intellectual property law for over half a century, Mr. Washburn retired from Woodcock Washburn LLP. Washburn joined co-founder Vigil Woodcock as an associate in 1948, and became a partner in 1953. Among his many career achievements, Washburn represented Byron B. Brenden, first recipient of the Inventor of the Year Award in 1974 for his inventions in acoustical holography, and Emmett N. Leith and Juris Upatinieks in 1976, recipients of the Inventor of the Year Award for contributions to holography. He also is a past President of the Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association.

About Woodcock Washburn LLP

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