The Gruter Institute for Law and Behavioral Research
Research Initiative on

Property, Intellectual Property and the Brain

In Collaboration with
The Center for Advanced Study of the Behavioral Sciences
Stanford, California

Thursday, April 28, 2005

Location
The Center for Advanced Study of the Behavioral Sciences
75 Alta Road
Stanford, California

Organizers
Monika Gruter Cheney, J.D.
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Property, Intellectual Property and the Brain

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome and Introductions

Chair: Monika Gruter Cheney, Oliver Goodenough and Michael Heller

9:15 – 12:00 Session 1 - Intellectual Property

Suggested Topics:
The psychology of property and intellectual property; IP pluses and minuses; formal justifications and critiques; policy justifications and critiques; fairness justifications and critiques; comparison with other property regimes; place in social fabric; doctrinal embodiments; enforcement challenges; challenges of new technologies

Presenters and Discussion Leaders:
June Carbone, Santa Clara, Law
Urs Gasser, Berkman Center, Harvard Law School
Dorothy Glancy, Santa Clara, Law
Jack Russo, Russo & Hale LLP

10:30 – 10:45 Break

Michael Heller, Columbia, Law
Heather Meeker, Greenberg Traurig, LLP
Oliver Goodenough, Vermont Law School

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 2:15 Session 2 - Normative Psychology
Suggested Topics:
Personal judgments about right and wrong; third party judgments about right and wrong; the role of emotion in normative judgment; the role of fairness in normative judgment; the role of punishment in normative judgment; the role of abstract rules in normative judgment; translating judgment into action; models for property and intellectual property in the brain

Presenters and Discussion Leaders:
William Casebeer, Naval Postgraduate School, Philosophy and Neuroscience
Elizabeth Phelps, NYU, Neuroscience
Robert Sapolsky, Stanford, Biology

2:15 – 3:15  Session 3 – Putting the Pieces Together – Psychology and IP Law

Suggested Topics:
Reconciling normative psychology with the approaches of law; applying the insights of cognitive neuroscience to property and intellectual property

Presenters and Discussion Leaders
Henry Greely, Stanford, Law
Molly van Houweling, University of Michigan Law School
John Clippinger, Berkman Center, Harvard Law School
Robert Cooter, UC Berkeley, Law and Economics

3:15– 3:30  Break

3:30 – 5:00  Session 4 – Guided Discussion: Putting the Ideas Together and Possible Future Action

Chair: Oliver Goodenough

6:00 pm  Dinner: Mandarin Gourmet Restaurant
420 Ramona Street, Palo Alto