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Intellectual Property (A Symposium)

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Introduction

While every lawyer is acquainted with the concepts of *real* and *personal property*, from time to time he encounters problems relating to intangible properties of a purely intellectual type, to which familiar labels are not easily attached. Even when these are embodied in the form of "Letters Patent," a Trademark Registration, or a Copyright Registration, the problems and their nature are frequently not recognized for what they are. A problem may arise obliquely in the administration of an estate, in the acquisition or transfer of business assets, in an "interference" or other tort claim, or adjunct to litigation more directly concerned with other issues, such as anti-trust. It may also arise directly, with an inquiry about how to protect an invention, an offer of a license under a patent, or a complaint of theft of an idea.

For better understanding and awareness of some of the problems in this field of *intellectual property*, this Symposium contains the following articles:

- "Concrete" Forms of Intellectual Property, Robert J. Fay.
 Statutory Protection of Intellectual Property Rights, Richard G. Smith.
 Submission and Receipt of Ideas: Conflicting Rights, Joseph R. Teagno.
 Disclosure of Specific Types of Ideas: Misappropriation, Homer C. McRae.
 Suggestion Box Systems, Esther Weissman.
 Organized Scientific Research, and Intellectual Property, Rathuel L. McCollum.
 Resolution of Conflicting Claims to Intellectual Property, William C. McCoy, Jr.
 Licenses, Contracts and Assignments of Intellectual Property, Frederic B. Schramm.
 Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights, Albert R. Teare.
 Restrictions on Use of Intellectual Property, Harold S. Meyer.
 Protection of Patents and Trademarks Abroad, Norman St. Landau.
 Engineering Patent Agreements, Donald F. Harrington.
 Tax Aspects of Intellectual Property, Lawrence R. Bloomenthal.

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