

Julia Mano Johnson Leads PLI Panel on How Judges See and Handle Patent Cases

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Partner Julia Mano Johnson lead a panel at [PLI's Patent Litigation 2017: Advanced Techniques & Best Practices](#) in Chicago on October 12-13. The two-part discussion, titled "Patent Litigation – How Judges See and Handle Patent Cases," included a panel of district court judges who presented their views on the following:

- Patent litigation: what's good, what's bad, and what's unnecessary
- Local patent rules and practice: managing multi-party litigation, including scheduling issues, bifurcation, the timing and adequacy of infringement and invalidity contentions, resolving discovery disputes, and the timing and number of case dispositive motions
- Impact of parallel PTAB proceedings, especially the issue of stays
- High costs of discovery practice
- Form and timing of Markman hearings
- Timing and form of effective mediation, court-ordered (or encouraged) settlement conferences and pre-trial practices, including motions in limine and Daubert motions

Julia's practice centers primarily on pharmaceutical patent litigation under the Hatch-Waxman Act. She has been involved in all aspects of the pretrial, trial, and post-trial phases of patent infringement cases, including taking numerous depositions, conducting cross-examinations of fact and expert witnesses, and drafting post-trial briefs.

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