In order to earn a certificate from the Center for Law and Intellectual Property, all students (including IP Fellows) must apply for an IP Faculty Advisor during their second year (full-time students) or third year (part-time students). Students will be assigned an IP Faculty Advisor upon receipt of the application. IP Faculty Advisors include Professors Cromer Young, Greene, Rierson, Schwabach, Semeraro, Simon, and Slattery. While all IP Faculty will be available for questions and advice, your IP Faculty Advisor will be responsible for reviewing your IP Substantial Writing, for answering specific questions about the curriculum, and for certifying your application to graduate with a certificate from the Center for Law and Intellectual Property.

To earn a Certificate from the Center for Law and Intellectual Property, you must satisfy four requirements:

1. **Curriculum.** Students must achieve a 2.5 overall GPA and a 2.7 in intellectual property courses. Students must complete 12 units of intellectual property work, including at least two core courses and at least two skills courses (which may include a clinic or externship).

2. **IP Substantial Writing Requirement.** To receive the Certificate, you must complete a substantial writing in the field of intellectual property. The substantial writing may simultaneously satisfy your TJSL Upper Level Writing requirement (but the reverse is not necessarily true). The substantial writing may be in conjunction with a course, the product of a minimum two-unit directed study, or participation in paperCLIP. The resultant writing must be submitted to your IP Faculty Advisor, who must certify that you have completed the requirement.

3. **Extracurricular involvement.** To receive the Certificate, you must demonstrate an extracurricular interest in intellectual property. This includes involvement in at least one (1) IP-related student organization, such as the Intellectual Property Law Association, the Entertainment Law Society, or paperCLIP; and participation (beyond mere attendance) in at least one (1) programming event held by a student organization, sponsored by Thomas Jefferson School of Law, or by an organization in the San Diego intellectual property law community (upon notice to your IP Faculty Advisor).

4. **Application for Certificate.** You must meet and complete the Center for Law and Intellectual Property Application for Certificate, signed by your IP Faculty Advisor. The application is due January 31 (if spring graduation) or August 31 (if fall graduation) of the semester that you are graduating. Completion of the application does not guarantee receipt of the Certificate if all criteria (including GPA) are not satisfied.

I have read the requirements to earn a Certificate from the Center for Law and Intellectual Property. I have attached a statement of my interest in intellectual property and request assignment of an IP Faculty Advisor.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ______________

Print Name: ___________________________

Requested IP Faculty Advisor (if applicable): ___________________________

*It may not be possible to honor all requests.

Statement of Interest Attached

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