September 14, 2006

The President
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The American Bar Association Section of Intellectual Property Law favors the accession of the United States to the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs (“the Geneva Act”). These views are being presented on behalf of the Section of Intellectual Property Law. They have not been submitted to the House of Delegates or Board of Governors of the ABA, and should not be construed as representing policy of the Association.

The Section encourages the Administration to transmit the Geneva Act to the Senate for its advice and consent to accession.

Our Section has approved the following resolution in support of the Geneva Act ratification.

“Section favors, in principle, the coordination of domestic and foreign protection of industrial designs; and, specifically, favors ratification by the United States of the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs.”

We encourage the Administration to move forward in the ratification of the Geneva Act.

Sincerely,

Susan Barbieri Montgomery
Chair