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Cantor Colburn Attorney Eric Baron Appointed to the Board of Directors of the Connecticut Invention Convention



Eric Baron, Cantor Colburn

Hartford, Conn.-- <u>Eric Baron</u>, an associate with <u>Cantor Colburn LLP</u> in Hartford, has been appointed to the Board of Directors of the <u>Connecticut Invention Convention</u> (CIC), also in Hartford. The mission of the Connecticut Invention Convention is to promote creative problemsolving and enhance critical thinking skills in children in grades K-8, creating a pipeline for the state's future scientists, engineers, doctors, and visionary workers of the 21st century.

"It is great to see so many young inventors crafting unique solutions to problems that are important to them and their families," said Mr. Baron. "The sustained growth of CIC has continued to provide a solid foundation in creative problem solving to an ever expanding number of

students, and I am proud to be a part of it."

Mr. Baron represents clients on all aspects of patent application preparation, prosecution, and patent portfolio development in the electrical and mechanical arts, particularly computer hardware and software, semiconductors, telecommunications, internet and e-commerce, business methods, electrical circuits, aerospace, industrial, and automotive technologies. He has several years of inhouse experience overseeing internal invention disclosure processing and outside counsel in domestic and foreign patent matters for a broad array of aerospace and industrial technologies. Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Baron was an engineer at Hamilton Sundstrand, a division of United Technologies Corporation, where he worked as a hardware systems engineer and a software engineer on engine controls, on-board diagnostics, flight controls, air management systems, and test systems for a variety of military and commercial aircraft. He has a bachelor's of science degree in computer engineering from Kettering University, a master's of engineering in computer and systems engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and a juris doctor from the University of Connecticut School of Law, where he received the CALI Award of Excellence for being first in his class in Torts. Mr. Baron was recognized by the *Connecticut Law Tribune* last year as a New Leader in the Law.

The Connecticut Invention Convention reaches approximately 10,000 students from more than 160 Connecticut schools that participate annually in the program; of these, approximately 700 of the best young inventors will bring their inventions to this year's Convention at the University of Connecticut in Storrs on Saturday, May 3, 2014. Volunteer judges review and evaluate students' inventions and help determine to whom the more than 250 prizes will be awarded. Cantor Colburn attorneys are among the volunteer judges every year.



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