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# Master Class in Patent Law & Practice in China

**Tuesday, September 2 – Friday, September 5, 2008**  
**8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

## Master Class IP 429-I

**Taught by Dr. Lulin Gao**

*Honorary President, All China Patent Agents Association and Chairman, East IP, Beijing, PRC*

### The Course: Patent Law & Practice in China

At the end of the 1970s, following the adoption of reforms that opened China to greater commercial activity, the country began to build a new patent system. The Patent Law of the People's Republic of China (the "Chinese Patent Law") was enacted in 1985, and has since undergone two amendments, one in 1992 and a second in 2000. During the 20 years since the promulgation of the Chinese Patent Law, China has made remarkable progress in improving its patent legislation, administration, and enforcement. The Chinese patent system is now in conformity with the requirements of the TRIPS Agreement.

This special master class provides an introduction to Chinese patent law, with attention to: (1) the development of Chinese patent law through its two revisions; (2) a comparison of Chinese patent law, US patent law, and the TRIPS Agreement; (3) some important Chinese patent-related cases; (4) administrative and

judicial routes for patent dispute settlement; (5) proposals for multinational companies in acquiring and enforcing patent rights in China; and (6) ideas for further improvement of the Chinese patent system and "The Third Amendment of Chinese Patent Law". This course also contains a general discussion of current trademark and copyright laws and practice in China.

Today, China has become a major international market and production center. With China's accession to the WTO, foreign companies are recognizing the importance of protecting their intellectual property (IP) rights in China. This course will give US legal professionals and students a better understanding of the current Chinese IP system—especially the patent system—in order to help them to build a strong IP portfolio and to use IP rights to create value in China.

### The Instructor: Dr. Lulin Gao

Dr. Lulin Gao is one of China's leading IP protection experts, with experience in the private, public, and university sectors. He also possesses a strong information-technology background.

Dr. Gao is an attorney specializing in patent law, who, over the course of his career, has held a variety of leadership roles. He served as commissioner of the Chinese patent office and founding commissioner of the State Intellectual Property Office. For roughly two years, he was a senior advisor to the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) in Geneva. In 2002, he founded East IP, a Beijing firm that specializes in IP, and became its chairman.

Dr. Gao is honorary president of the All-China Patent Agents Association, vice-chairman of the China Internet Society, and a member of the Steering Committee of the China Internet Network Information Center. He also serves as an international advisory board member of the International Intellectual Property Institute and as a member of the Advisory Board of the Center for Intellectual Property Law at The John Marshall Law School in Chicago.

Dr. Gao, who speaks Chinese, English, and Russian, has led delegations for the Chinese government at various international IP forums and diplomatic conferences, including holding the



chair of the Paris Union Assembly and the WIPO General Assembly. In 1995, he was given the Grand Star Cross by the German government for his remarkable contributions to the field of IP protection and international cooperation. Also that year, the European Patent Office awarded him the International Cooperation Medal for his contributions to the IP field.

Dr. Gao helped found the Intellectual Property Institution at Peking University and has published numerous works on patent prosecution and litigation, licensing, IPR protection, the TRIPS Agreement, and domain names. He has been invited to teach IP law at several universities.

While the major thrust of Dr. Gao's career has shifted to IP issues, he has also remained active in the technology field. His BS is in prospecting technology, and he earned a PhD in the same area from one of the top schools in the former Soviet Union. He has worked in technology for research institutes, ministries, and the State Planning Commission. He also served as director general in the Science and Technology Department of the State Economic Planning Commission and was elected a fellow at the Russian International Academy of Engineering.

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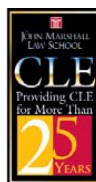
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Employers know that John Marshall graduates receive exceptional training in IP law and have the practical skills needed to help law firms and other organizations succeed.

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