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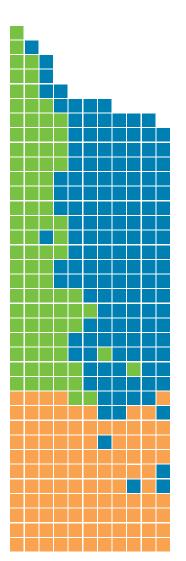
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The digital explosion resurrected business method patents, but they have recently been challenged in *In re Bilski*. Many criticize these patents as being obvious because they are simply old methods of doing business that are now being done on the Internet. Just how broadly should patentable subject matter be interpreted? Could the Supreme Court put an end to business method patents once and for all?

Please join IILP and invited guest speaker, Manny Schecter, to discuss the implications of the Supreme Court's impending decision of *In re Bilski*, and the state of business method patents. Students will have the opportunity to engage in discussion with Mr. Schecter regarding *Bilski* and other corporate IP practice issues.

Thursday, February 4, 2010 6:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m. W302

Manny Schecter is Chief Patent Counsel and Managing Attorney, Intellectual Property Law, at IBM. In this role, Mr. Schecter leads IBM's worldwide intellectual property law organization on patent, budget, and personnel matters and advises on intellectual property legislation, strategy, and policy.

If you are interested in attending, RSVP to Naomi Allen at naomi.allen@nyls.edu.