



*A message from Wayne Slater – IP Gateway Principal:*

Year 2017 has lived up to expectations of being a busy year at IP Gateway with it already achieving great success, being named Best Boutique Law Firm 2017 in Australia, and being ranked in Managing Intellectual Property IP Stars for Trademark Contentious, Trademark Prosecution and Patent Prosecution.

The last three months has seen significant growth not just in external business coming into the firm but substantial movement towards ensuring that the firm is up to date with the latest technology. A new teleconference system is being installed to provide better communication between clients and associates and staff are being provided with up to date equipment to assist them in maintaining their high level of service.

Below are some of the significant events that are taking place at IP Gateway over the coming months:

#### **May**

- ❖ Wayne Slater will be attending the International Trademark Association (INTA) conference in Barcelona for the annual meeting where he will be able to meet up with clients and overseas partners.
- ❖ Mark Metzeling will be attending the North Queensland Law Association Conference where he will be speaking on “Brand Protection and Securing Goodwill”. We will place a copy of the presentation on our website following the conference.

#### **July**

- ❖ Wayne Slater will be presenting the designs course at the WIPO Matters in Law program at Queensland University of Technology (QUT).

#### **September**

- ❖ Wayne Slater will be visiting Europe to meet with European Patent and Trade Mark Attorney firms.

#### **October**

- ❖ Plans are well underway for attending the annual AIPPI conference in Sydney. This will provide an important opportunity to showcase both Australia and IP Gateway to patent and trade mark attorneys, and corporate clients from all over the world. IP Gateway will have a significant involvement in the event with Wayne Slater being a member of the Designs Standing Committee and Mark Metzeling being a member of the Trade Marks Standing Committee.

You can remain apprised of all [IP Gateway News](#) and our [Upcoming Events](#) by clicking on the links to our website; some of which will feature in our quarterly newsletter.



### North Queensland Law Association Conference 2017

Mark Metzeling, head of the Trade Mark division of IP Gateway has been invited to speak at the North Queensland Law Association (NQLA) conference this year about "Brand Protection and Securing Goodwill".

Click here to read more: <http://ipgateway.com.au/north-queensland-law-association-conference-2017/>



### INTA 2017 Barcelona Meeting

The International Trademark Association (INTA) is a global association comprising of more than 7,000 organisations from some 190 countries around the world. This year Wayne Slater is attending the meeting.

To read more about this story, click the link: <http://ipgateway.com.au/inta-2017-barcelona-meeting/>



### Warning to Intellectual Property Rights Holders

You have come up with an idea, Patent or Trademark. You have also gone through the proper procedures and processes in order to protect and own your idea. Then you receive an official looking email requesting payment to retain your ownership of your idea. Before you click the checkout button please take the time to read this article from Daniel Rosenthal of IP Gateway regarding why you should always check first. <http://ipgateway.com.au/ip-warnings>



### The 2017 IP Excellence Awards Winners Announced!

The IP Excellence Awards for 2017 have been announced and IP Gateway have been awarded the Best Boutique IP Law Firm Australia.

To read the full story click here <http://ipgateway.com.au/2017-ip-excellence-awards-winners-announced/>

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