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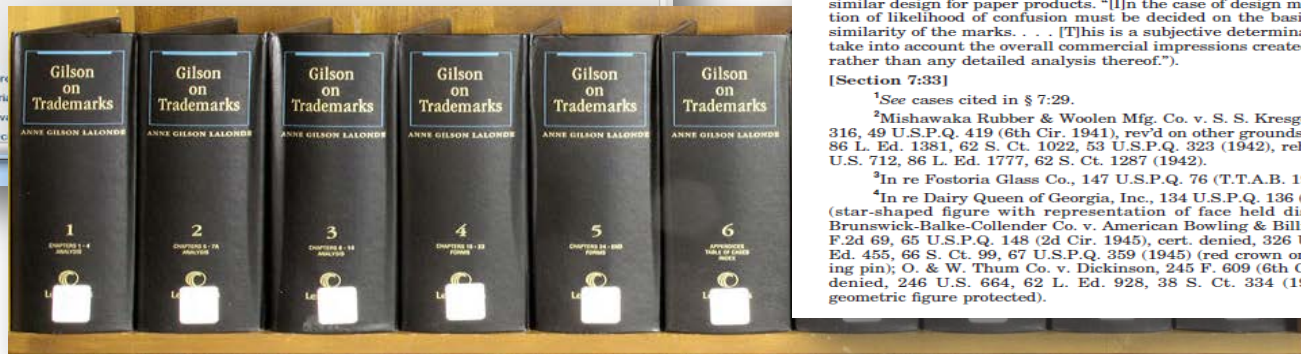
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## § 7:32

## McCARTHY ON TRADEMARKS

of a trademark design covering a product is generally determined by comparing the overall commercial impression of the conflicting designs.<sup>15</sup>

## § 7:33 Geometric shapes

Ordinary geometric shapes such as circles, ovals, squares, etc., even when not used as a background for other marks, are regarded as nondistinctive and protectable only upon proof of secondary meaning.<sup>1</sup> "A circle or a ball as a trademark is publici juris where it has not acquired a secondary meaning."<sup>2</sup> A series of three dimensional cubes molded into the surface of glassware was used as a trademark, on the ground that on such a product the design was mere surface ornamentation, devoid of trademark significance to buyers.<sup>3</sup>

However, uncommon or unusual shapes and symbols that contain some minimum amount of inventiveness or fancifulness can be regarded as inherently distinctive and protected as such, without the need for proof of secondary meaning.<sup>4</sup> The issue is whether this shape is so unusual for this type of

materials, or on shopping bags.").

<sup>15</sup>FORT JAMES OPERATING COMPANY v. ROYAL PAPER CONVERTING, INC., 83 U.S.P.Q.2d 1624, 2007 WL 1676779 (T.T.A.B. 2007) (A registration of an interlocking circle and square design imprinted onto paper towels was relied on to successfully oppose the registration of a similar design for paper products. "[I]n the case of design marks, the question of likelihood of confusion must be decided on the basis of the visual similarity of the marks. . . . [T]his is a subjective determination and must take into account the overall commercial impressions created by the marks rather than any detailed analysis thereof.").

### [Section 7:33]

<sup>1</sup>See cases cited in § 7:29.

<sup>2</sup>Mishawaka Rubber & Woolen Mfg. Co. v. S. S. Kresge Co., 119 F.2d 316, 49 U.S.P.Q. 419 (6th Cir. 1941), rev'd on other grounds, 316 U.S. 203, 86 L. Ed. 1381, 62 S. Ct. 1022, 53 U.S.P.Q. 323 (1942), reh'g denied, 316 U.S. 712, 86 L. Ed. 1777, 62 S. Ct. 1287 (1942).

<sup>3</sup>In re Fostoria Glass Co., 147 U.S.P.Q. 76 (T.T.A.B. 1965).

<sup>4</sup>In re Dairy Queen of Georgia, Inc., 134 U.S.P.Q. 136 (T.T.A.B. 1962) (star-shaped figure with representation of face held distinctive). See Brunswick-Balke-Collender Co. v. American Bowling & Billiard Corp., 150 F.2d 69, 65 U.S.P.Q. 148 (2d Cir. 1945), cert. denied, 326 U.S. 757, 90 L. Ed. 455, 66 S. Ct. 99, 67 U.S.P.Q. 359 (1945) (red crown on neck of bowling pin); O. & W. Thum Co. v. Dickinson, 245 F. 609 (6th Cir. 1917), cert. denied, 246 U.S. 664, 62 L. Ed. 928, 38 S. Ct. 334 (1918) (involved geometric figure protected).

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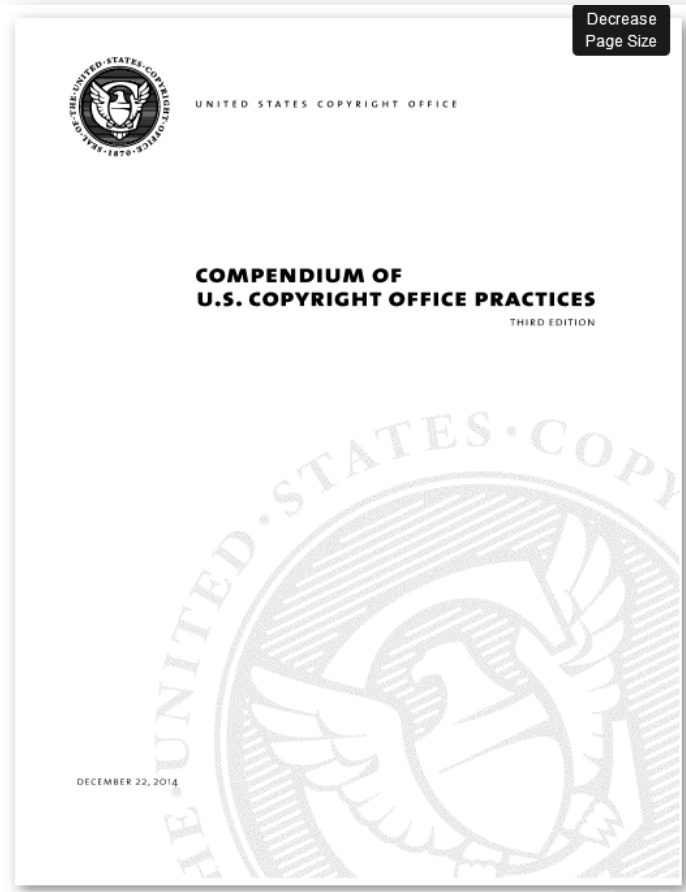
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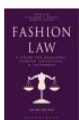
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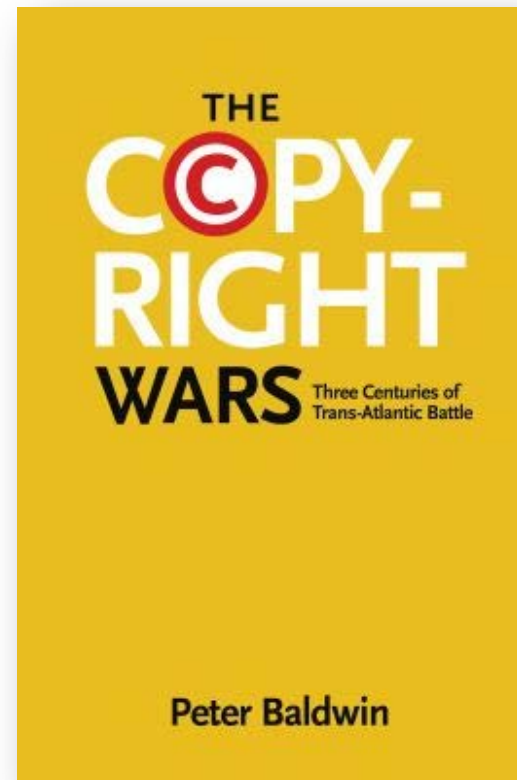
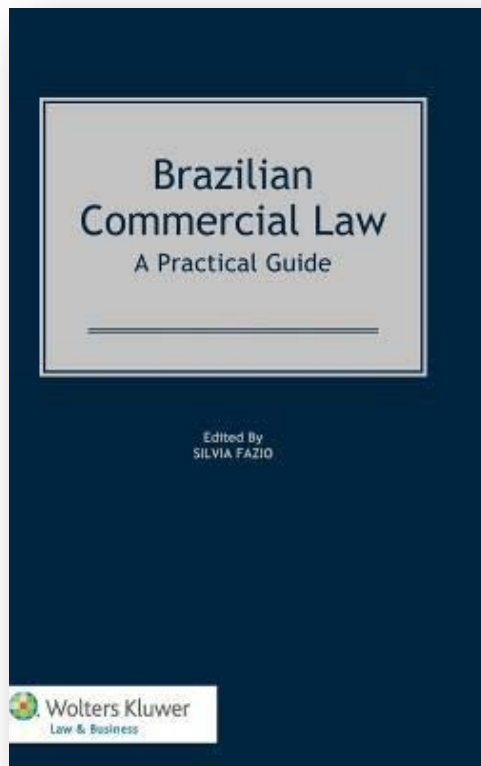
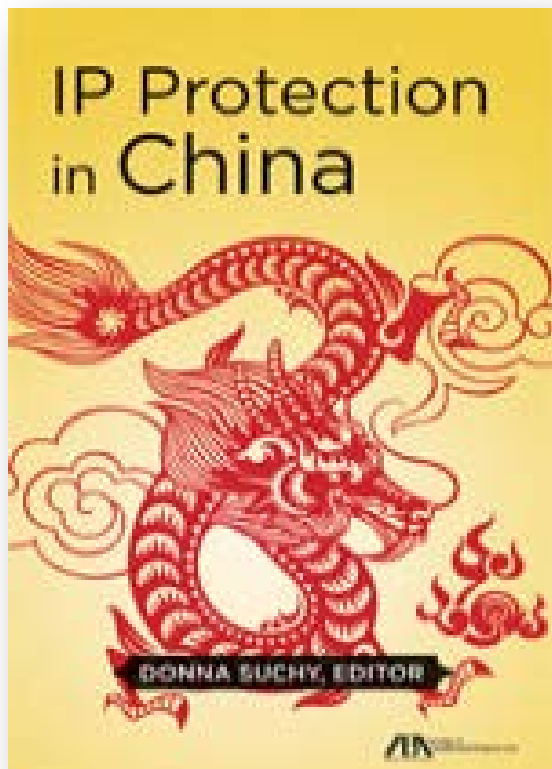
Que tal adecuación redundará en mayores alicientes para la obtención y comercialización de nuevas variedades de simiente, garantizando a los agricultores un insumo básico de alta calidad para la producción agrícola, en conjunción a reglas transparentes para el desarrollo del mercado de semillas nacional.

Que la nueva reglamentación incorpora la experiencia acumulada desde la entrada en vigencia de la Ley 20 247 y un vocabulario acorde con el avance tecnológico nacional e internacional en la materia.

Que las facultades para dictar el presente acto surgen del artículo 86, inciso 2) de la Constitución Nacional

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FIFA v. Pepsico and the Mexican Supreme Court's Trademark and Unfair Competition Jurisprudence Litigation in FIFA v. Pepsico arose from a trademark infringement action brought before the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property.

# Blogs & News

## The 2014 ABA Journal Blawg 100



Wow! It's crazy that we're already on our eighth Blawg 100. Every year, we find ourselves behind the eight ball as we struggle to rack up a great list and choose new nominees for our now 30-blog-strong Hall of Fame. No, we don't just go through the 4,000-plus blogs in our directory and consult a Magic 8 Ball to decide what to add or scratch off our list. We remember the blogs that have tipped us off to breaking news and the bloggers who have compelled us to write about their innovative ideas.

And over the summer, we cue readers—and other bloggers—to write in and let us know about their favorites: When we can see their love for a blog is real and not a marketing hustle, it catches our attention.

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The polls open Nov. 24 and shut down at close of business on Dec. 19. For a constant feed of inspiration, go online and find our [Blawg 100 Twitter list](#), which includes the handles of both this year's nominees and those of our Hall of Fame bloggers from years past.

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## Trademarks for Your Body Parts

By Jennifer Kovalcik on January 14, 2016  
Posted in Trademarks

Does your trademark have a "trademark" style. As we start gear up for the month of the calendar year craziness [sorry, NCAA rules prohibit use of trademarks] we have been thinking about the trademark style of basketball players.

NBA All-Star James Harden is first in the lineup with his infamous beard. He has touted his moniker FEAR THE BEARD. Here he is in his twitter profile picture.



**James Harden** ✓  
@JHarden13

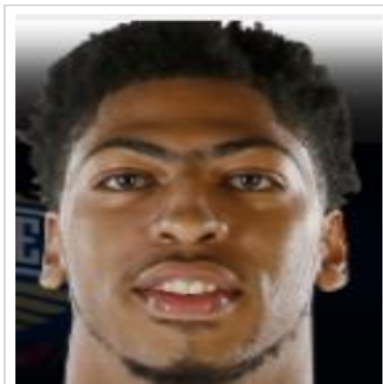
Harden's beard has become so popular, it has its own twitter account.



**James Harden's Beard**  
@HardenBeard

Although James Harden does not have a trademark registration for his beard (yet), his beard is featured on merchandising. He started growing the beard in college, basically out of laziness, but started noticing fans coming to games with fake beards. The beard has been with him through the Olympics and now to an MVP award from the National Basketball Players Association.

If you don't Fear the Beard, perhaps you will Fear the Brow. I know I do. Anthony Davis has a distinctive unibrow that many females invest heavily to avoid. He has obtained trademark registrations for the words FEAR THE BROW, RAISE THE BROW, and BROW DOWN, among others. His distinctive brow (singular) is shown below:



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By Ashby Jones

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By Jacob Gershman

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