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Drinker Biddle Partner Janet Fries to Chair ABA Committee on “Copyright and New Technologies”

WASHINGTON, D.C., – Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP partner Janet Fries has been appointed chair of the American Bar Association’s (ABA) new committee on “Copyright and New Technologies.” Washington, D.C., associate Phil Cardinale was appointed vice-chair.

Fries is leader of the Copyright Team within Drinker Biddle’s Intellectual Property Practice Group, as well as a frequent lecturer on copyright issues, and an editorial and fine arts photographer whose works have been widely published and exhibited. The Copyright and New Technologies Committee is a body within the ABA’s Intellectual Property (IP) Section, the largest IP organization in the world with membership of more than 22,000 lawyers, as well as the oldest substantive section of the ABA.

“We are pleased with this latest accomplishment of the growing Copyright Team at Drinker Biddle,” said John G. Smith, chair of the Intellectual Property Practice Group at the firm.

The recently formed Copyright and New Technologies Committee is the result of a merger of committees that focused on “Copyright and the Internet” and the “Digital Millennium Copyright Act” at the recent ABA Annual Meeting in New York. The ABA’s IP Section (Division III) has asked the committee to monitor and provide a report on the effects of new technologies on copyright law.

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