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## March Luncheon Meeting

*Guest Speaker*

**John Curry**

*President of the New York Trademark Task Force,  
Regional Counsel of the Recording Industry Association of America  
Former Administrative Law Judge and retired NYPD Sergeant*

**Wednesday, March 18, 2009 @12:00 PM**

**New York County Lawyers' Association**

**14 Vesey Street, New York, NY 10017**

**Luncheon Cost: \$35 for members (\$40 for non-members)  
Please call the hotline to make reservations: 888-893-4332**

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### President's Message:

March 2009

On behalf of the AAPLE membership, I want to thank last month's luncheon speaker, Andrew McCarthy, former Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, who gave a very informative and interesting lecture on both the 1993 and 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center. His discussion also covered the continuing efforts of the law enforcement community and military services in their fight against future terrorist attacks in the United States. Mr. McCarthy is a noted author whose work includes *Willful Blindness: A Memoir of the Jihad*. He also writes extensively on a variety of legal issues for *National Review* and *Commentary*, among other publications, as well as providing commentary for various television and radio broadcasts. His work as the Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York includes the prosecution against the jihad organization of Sheik Omar Abdel Rahman.

The March luncheon guest speaker will be John A. Curry, President of the New York Trademark Task Force, and Regional Counsel of the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA), who will speak on trademark counterfeiting and music piracy. The RIAA is a not-for-profit corporation that serves as a trade association representing about 600 music companies, which create, manufacture, and produce approximately 90% of all sound recordings legitimately sold in the United States.

Mr. Curry holds a Juris Doctor from New York Law School, a Master of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from the State University of New York at Albany, and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He joined the NYPD in 1986 and retired after 20 years of service. In July 2006, he accepted a position as an Administrative Law Judge with the New York State Liquor Authority while also acting as a senior partner in the law office of Curry & Welch, LLP. In April 2007, Mr. Curry accepted the position of Regional Counsel for RIAA, and that same year was elected President of the New York Trademark Task Force.

The primary goal of the Task Force is to combine the resources of over 40 trademark holders and/or their legal representatives along with representatives from the Mayor's Office of Special Enforcement in order to combat the ever-changing technology and trends utilized by those engaged in illegal counterfeiting of goods and services within NYC & NYS.

This is sure to be an interesting lecture. To ensure you are accommodated at the luncheon, please pre-register by calling 888-893-4332, or emailing [breilly@aapple.org](mailto:breilly@aapple.org)

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### **FUTURE EVENTS:**

#### **Luncheons:**

To be held at the New York County Lawyers' Association, 14 Vesey Street, New York at 12:00pm on:

- Tuesday, April 14, 2009
- Tuesday, May 19, 2009
- Tuesday, October 27, 2009

#### **Annual Scholarship Cruise:**

- June 11, 2009.

#### **Golf Outing:**

- October 5, 2009, at the Richmond County Country Club, 135 Flagg Place, Staten Island, NY

I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events.



***Sincerely,  
Rafael Pineiro***