COMMENTS OF THE SECTION ON PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT LAW OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BAR ON TRADEMARK LAW REVISION ACT H.R. 4156

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The Honorable Robert W. Kastenmeier  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties  
and the Administration of Justice  
2137 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510  

Re: Trademark Law Revision Act H.R. 4156  

Dear Congressman Kastenmeier:  

I am writing on behalf of the Patent, Trademark and  
Copyright Law Section of the District of Columbia Bar to express  
our Section's support for the Trademark Law Revision Act (H.R.  
4156).  

Our Section consists of about 1200 attorneys, many of whom have  
practices devoted exclusively or in large part to the application  
of federal trademark law to the commercial practices of their  
clients. Individuals in our Section have become familiar with  
H.R. 4156, and a recent survey of a group of members most  
interested in trademark matters indicated strong support for its  
passage. The survey indicated near unanimous support for all of  
it's various provisions.  

We believe that enactment of H.R. 4156 would significantly  
 improve the federal trademark system. A companion bill has  
already passed the Senate and the House Judiciary Committee has  
scheduled hearings on H.R. 4156 on September 8. We hope Congress  
will take advantage of this opportunity to adopt all of the  
proposals for amendment, codification, clarification and  
definition for which general support exists in industry and the  
bar.
The Honorable Robert W. Kastenmeier

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Please include this letter in the record of the hearing held by the Subcommittee on September 8, 1988. We will be glad to provide any additional information that would be useful.

Very truly yours,

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