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Frederick A. Provorny is the founder and President of the Center for New Technology Enterprise, (the “Center”). The Center is an independent nonprofit educational organization that offers a comprehensive Web-based trans-disciplinary program to facilitate technology commercialization from research institutions and government facilities by focusing on new venture creation and harnessing the talents and motivation of students from a wide variety of disciplines by giving them opportunities to gain extensive experience in evaluating and finding applications for new technologies and furnishing entrepreneurs with an extensive and diverse suite of services in conjunction with an extensive network of volunteer professionals, serial entrepreneurs, executives and investors. The Center welcomes postdocs, as well as MBAs, lawyers and others considering new directions for their careers. From 2004 to 2007, he was Director of the Maryland Intellectual Property Legal Resource Center (“MIPLRC”) and a Visiting Professor at the University Of Maryland School of Law. For five years before taking the helm at MIPLRC, Professor Provorny was the Harold R. Tyler Professor of Law and Technology at Albany Law School and the founding Director of the New York State Science and Technology Law Center, the first experiential educational program in the United States that provided real-world experiential education in intellectual property and business legal matters to students working with start-up life science and high tech companies..

Professor Provorny brings to the Center more than thirty years of experience in intellectual property law, complex business transactions, venture capital, and technology commercialization and economic development. As Director of MIPLRC, he was responsible for a program that provided hands-on experience to law students and provides free intellectual property and business legal services to emerging technology companies throughout Maryland. Under Professor Provorny’s leadership, MIPLRC expanded from one site to four sites in technology incubators throughout Maryland, vastly enhanced the scope and complexity of its services, increased its enrollment from 2 to 17 students, attracted evening students and initiated year-round operation and nighttime office hours. MIPLRC developed a national reputation and built partnerships with a wide variety of stakeholders, including economic development organizations, chambers of commerce, government agencies, and other educational institutions during his tenure.

Professor Provorny graduated *summa cum laude* from New York University and *magna cum laude* from Columbia Law School. He is an inaugural recipient of the Certified Licensing Professional™ (“CLP™”) designation and holds CPA certificates in Maryland and Missouri