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ITechLaw Seattle Roundtable to Address Cloud Computing and Privacy

March 4 Breakfast Features Speaker Mike Hintze, Associate General Counsel, Microsoft Corp.

WAKEFIELD, Mass., USA – Feb. 22, 2010 – The International Technology Law Association (ITechLaw; <http://www.itechlaw.org/>), the premiere global association for technology lawyers, will hold a complimentary breakfast roundtable in Seattle, Wash. The event is scheduled for 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. on March 4 at the Fairmont Olympic Hotel in Seattle. The keynote speaker is Mike Hintze, Associate General Counsel at Microsoft Corporation.

The topic of the roundtable, "Cloud Computing and Privacy," is a growing issue affecting individuals, organizations and companies worldwide. According to Hintze, "While cloud computing can provide many benefits, including easy, scalable access to computing resources, it also raises a number of important privacy questions relating to the control of and access to data stored in the cloud." Cloud computing is a general term for anything that involves delivering hosted services over the Internet.

ITechLaw President Ursula Widmer commented, "ITechLaw is committed to keeping technology lawyers up to speed on cutting-edge issues, especially in today's rapidly evolving technology environment. She continued, "Cloud computing is a growing concern for our members and their clients, and Seattle's technology base makes it a fitting place for this event." This roundtable follows ITechLaw's Annual World Technology Law Conference, which took place in Seattle last May.

Specific topics that Hintze will cover include:

- how cloud service providers use data;
- law enforcement access to data held by cloud services;
- global implications and jurisdictional conflicts; and
- business models and approaches that enhance user choice and control.

The meeting, which includes a networking breakfast, is open to both ITechLaw members and non-members. This program is expected to qualify for 1.5 general CLE credits for Washington State. CLE approval is pending with the Washington State Bar Association. The deadline to RSVP is February 25, 2010 to memberservices@itechlaw.org.

About the Speaker

Mike Hintze is an Associate General Counsel in Microsoft Corporation's Legal and Corporate Affairs (LCA) group. His practice includes a number of regulatory and public policy issues, including privacy, security, telecommunications, online safety and free expression matters worldwide.

About the International Technology Law Association

Founded in 1971, ITechLaw is the world's premier organization representing lawyers in the technology sector. The organization's global membership spans six continents and embodies a broad spectrum of expertise.

In addition to serving as a forum for members to discuss a wide range of legal issues, the association regularly organizes conferences that explore cutting-edge issues and trends in both information technology and intellectual property law.

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