



internet piracy: copyright law in canada and the united states

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The Canada Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and The Canada Institute on North American Issues in collaboration with The Program on America and the Global Economy present a panel discussion on "Internet Piracy: Copyright Law in Canada and the United States," the eleventh issue in the Canada Institute's One Issue, Two Voices series featuring:

- Eric J. Schwartz, Partner, Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp LLP, Washington, D.C.
- Former Acting General Counsel, U.S. Copyright Office, Barry Sookman, Partner and Co-chair, Technology Law Group, McCarthy Tétrault LLP, Toronto
- Steven M. Tepp (moderator), Senior Counsel for Policy and International Affairs, U.S. Copyright Office.

Copyright and intellectual property issues remain a major trade irritant between the United States and Canada. Earlier this year, the United States Trade Representative added Canada to its 2009 "Special 301" Report Priority Watch List over growing concern that Canada had not followed through on implementing key copyright reforms under the WIPO Internet Treaties. The report noted that Internet piracy is a significant concern with the United States' most important trading partner.

Drawing on expertise from both sides of the Canada–U.S. border, the One Issue, Two Voices series is designed to stimulate dialogue on policy issues that have a significant impact on the bilateral relationship. This publication is a primer on current issues in copyright law in Canada and the United States focusing on the transformative changes underway in the copyright regimes in both countries.

Panelists Barry Sookman and Eric Schwartz will discuss the critical challenges and issues posed by the new digital technologies and debate the controversial approaches to copyright reform that will help enable economic progress,

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technological innovation, and encourage investment in their respective countries.

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