



Since 1984, the International Trade Commission Trial Lawyers Association has been the primary organization informing attorneys around the world about Section 337 practice. Association members:

- Receive the 337 Reporter, the only newsletter devoted to articles, case highlights and news of Section 337 practice.
- Present, through committees, the views of the Section 337 bar to the Commission and Congress.
- Attend educational programs that feature prominent international trade officials and commentators.
- Meet attorneys who share an interest in Section 337 litigation.

The Association is a non-profit, non-partisan, educational organization. Members and invited guests meet annually to review developments affecting Section 337 and to elect officers to lead the Association. Reflecting the diverse professional interests of its members, the Association maintains thirteen active standing committees.

At the end of 1995, after several years of debate and numerous proposals, the statute was amended to respond to a GATT Panel Report which found that Section 337 was inconsistent with GATT obligations of the United States. The ITC Trial Lawyers Association played a leading role in proposing a solution that would comply with the United States' obligations under GATT while still preserving the primary benefits of proceedings under Section 337. The ITCTLA continues to be active in efforts to improve the administration of Section 337 as a remedy to prevent the importation of infringing goods at the border.