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Bradley M. Kuhn is the Distinguished Technologist at Software Freedom Conservancy (<https://sfconservancy.org/>) and editor in chief of <https://copyleft.org>. Kuhn began his work in the software freedom movement as a volunteer in 1992, when he became an early adopter of the GNU/Linux operating system, and began contributing to various free software projects. He worked during the 1990s as a system administrator and software developer for various companies, and taught AP Computer Science at Walnut Hills High School in Cincinnati.

Kuhn's nonprofit career began in 2000, when he was hired by the FSF. As FSF's executive director from 2001 through 2005, Kuhn led FSF's GPL enforcement, launched its associate member program, and invented the Affero GPL (<http://www.gnu.org/licenses/agpl-3.0.html>). Kuhn was appointed president of Software Freedom Conservancy in April 2006, was Conservancy's primary volunteer from 2006 through 2010, and has been a full-time staffer since early 2011. Kuhn holds a *summa cum laude* BS in Computer Science from Loyola University in Maryland, and an MS in Computer Science from the University of Cincinnati. Kuhn's Master's thesis discussed methods for dynamic interoperability of free software programming languages. Kuhn received the O'Reilly Open Source Award in 2012 (<http://www.oscon.com/oscon2012/public/schedule/detail/25039>), in recognition for his lifelong policy work on copyleft licensing. Kuhn has a blog (<http://ebb.org/bkuhn/blog/>), is on pump.io (<http://identi.ca/bkuhn/>), and co-hosts the oggcast "Free as in Freedom" (<http://faif.us/>).

Justin C. Colannino, JD

Justin C. Colannino, JD has almost a decade of experience representing clients in the free software community and for-profit enterprises. At Microsoft, he is part of a small team that oversees processes to enable free software engagement at a massive scale. Prior to Microsoft, Justin was an active pro bono lawyer to free software communities -- having provided pro bono advice to the Free Software Foundation, the Apache Software Foundation, and the GNOME Foundation.

A published computer scientist in a past life, Justin also has significant experience with patent litigation both in private practice and as a law clerk in the District of New Jersey.

Marc Jones, JD

Marc Jones works primarily as in-house legal counsel for CivicActions, which provides professional services related to free software to nonprofit and government clients. He also works on the CivicActions infrastructure team, as a security and compliance officer, and provides consulting and training services to government procurement and legal teams. He has a range of experience in the IT field, from working as an attorney focused on free software licensing compliance, to working as an IT architect focused on privacy and security compliance, to working as the associate director of a state government IT office. In addition to his current work at CivicActions, he also regularly provides pro bono legal counsel to a few prominent and not-so prominent free software and free culture nonprofits.

Pamela Chestek, JD

Pamela Chestek practices in trademark, copyright, open source, advertising, and marketing law. She has worked in both law firm and in-house environments serving a variety of fields—footwear and apparel, software, design, retail, and manufacturing are a few. She has been an adjunct law professor and often writes and speaks about ownership disputes in patent, trademark and copyright cases, including scholarly articles on the subject. You can read more of her writing on her [blog, Property, intangible](#).

Pam also has extensive experience in the open source community, in particular dealing with the challenge of managing brand identity and consumer expectation in a culture rooted in free access, collaboration and sharing. She brings her experience working collaboratively and transparently to all her client relationships, no matter what the organization. Pam has a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Technical Theatre, awarded with high distinction from the Pennsylvania State University. Her law degree is from the Western New England College School of Law (now Western New England University), awarded summa cum laude. She is admitted to practice in Connecticut, the District of Columbia, Massachusetts, New York and North Carolina. You can follow Pam on Twitter @pchestek.

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