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- Legislative History of the 1909 Copyright Act
- Copyright Law Revision
- Copyright Law Revision; Report to Accompany H.R. 4347
- Kamenstein Legislative History Project: A Compendium and Analytical Index of Materials Leading to the Copyright Act of 1976
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- Digest of the Law of Trade-Marks and Unfair Trade by Norman F. Hesseltine (1906)
- Foreign and Colonial Patent Laws by Wallace Cranston Fairweather (1910)
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- **Manual of Patent Examining Procedure** (inception-date)
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