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She is working on policies and procedures to protect the Intellectual Property rights of the Associated Press.

Laura is a frequent speaker to groups and trade associations associated with the entertainment and photography businesses; among them photographer and filmmakers, marketing professionals and design professionals. Laura is actively involved in Picture Archive Counsel of America (PACA), and is a member of the Copyright Society of America.

The practice of law is a second career for Laura. She was a professional actress from 1976 until she returned to college at the University of Washington to complete her undergraduate degree in 1989. She graduated from law school in Los Angeles, California in 1993, and moved to Seattle in 1994 where she became General Counsel for a small video production and recording company, Mirimar Productions. In 1996, she went into private practice where she continued her entertainment and IP practice while also joining her firm's litigation practice until such time as she joined Getty Images.