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Overview

- » Member of Oppenheimer’s Patent Group who focuses his practice on intellectual property strategy and counseling
- » Former software designer/developer with practical perspective on drafting, prosecuting, and analyzing patents protecting software, networking, Internet, consumer electronics, computer-implemented business methods, and hardware and storage media technologies
- » Assists clients with securing patent protection before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office including extensive practice before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences
- » Extensive experience with validity, infringement, and freedom to operate analyses, digital rights management and other software/hardware-related copyright and trade secret protection counseling, and open source software risk management planning

Representative Experience

- » Management of 400+ patent portfolio for Fortune Global 500 client
- » Representation of clients to protect computer-implemented systems, hardware, networks, and other IT-related solutions in gaming, health care, financial services, and computer data storage industries
- » Negotiation of agreements with intellectual property issues in mergers and acquisitions, security interests in intellectual property, license-in and license-out of intellectual property rights, and other technology transfers
- » Responsible for 70+ patent applications filed under USPTO’s new Accelerated Examination Procedures in 2008

EDUCATION))

University of Chicago Law School » J.D.
 Carleton College » B.A. » Physics » *cum laude*

AREAS OF PRACTICE))

Intellectual Property

RECOGNITION))

Minnesota Law & Politics » “Rising Star”

ASSOCIATIONS & PRO BONO))

- American Bar Association » Section of Intellectual Property Law » Patent System Policy Planning
- » Special Committee on Computer Gaming
- American Intellectual Property Law Association » Electronic and Computer Law Committee
- » Licensing and Management of IP Assets Committee
- Minnesota State Bar Association » Computer & Technology Law Section » former chair
- Minnesota Intellectual Property Law Association » Patent Prosecution Committee
- » Software Protection Committee
- Children’s Law Center of Minnesota

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