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Extensive experience in domestic and international patent, copyright, and trademark prosecution, litigation, and licensing. Initial practice concentration concerned U.S. and international patent applications for electrical and mechanical inventions. Later emphasis included litigation, transactions, client counseling, and supervision and training of new associates. More recent practice emphasis includes patent, copyright and trademark litigation, emerging technology representation including licensing strategies, employee invention agreements, business plans, presentation to financing entities, due diligence investigations, clearance opinions, intellectual property title clearing, and related matters. Recently engaged as expert witness on patent law. Representative technologies include electric power systems, amusement park rides, package handling systems, vending machines, machines for manufacturing corrugated cardboard, Internet companies, electric switchgear, power conditioning equipment, electric vehicles, electric circuit design, combustion technologies, telecommunications, image processing, reconfigurable hardware, computer software, and a wide variety of business models.

Representative past and current clients include: ConcealFab, Inc., Southern States LLC, Hospitality Core Services (Blueprint RF), McTech Group, Inc., uControl, Inc., Corrugated Gear & Services, Inc., Lifestream Technologies, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Microsoft, United Parcel Service, BellSouth.

PRACTICE

Registered Patent Attorney (Domestic and International Practice)

USPTO Regulatory Proceedings (PTAB, TTAB)

Intellectual Property Litigation (Trial, Appellate)

Copyright (Registration, Litigation)

Trademark (Registration, Litigation)

Portfolio Development, Management, Licensing and Monetization'

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Georgia Bar Registration No. 500975

USPTO Registration No. 40086

ASSOCIATIONS

Georgia Bar Association; Atlanta Lawyers' Club

Georgia Bar Association Intellectual Property Law Section

Georgia Bar Association Computer Law Section

American Bar Association

Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers

Copyright Society of the United States

EDUCATION

Georgia State University College of Law, Atlanta, GA

Juris Doctor, Magna Cum Laude (1995)

Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

BSEE, High Honors (1985)

MSEE, Electric Power Systems (1986)

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Alice in 101-Derland [View Article](#)

Intellectual Property Magazine, December/January 2015

Functional Claiming in the Crosshairs [View Article](#)

Intellectual Property Magazine, June 2014

Protecting Copyrights in Cyberspace

20th Annual Computer Law Institute, February 2000, Atlanta, Georgia.

Update on the American Inventors Protection Act

7th Annual Intellectual Property Law Institute, October, 2000, Los Suenos, Costa Rica.

IP decisions strip owners of claims against states; recent Supreme Court rulings hold that the states are not bound by federal IP laws Article Abstract:

The National Law Journal, December 1999

HR1907 Update - The Saga Continues

Intellectual Property Today, October, 1999

HR1907 - The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999

Intellectual Property Today, August, 1999

Recent Developments in Copyright Law

4th Annual Intellectual Property Law Institute, October, 1998, Young Harris, Georgia (co-author)

Strategic Concerns When Pursuing Foreign Patents in the Computer Arts

The Computer Lawyer, Volume 15, Number 3, March 1998

EXPERT TESTIMONY

Civil Action No. 2008RCCV01519, Dewey v. Powergroup International, Inc. in the Superior Court of Richmond County, Georgia (Expert witness on the subject of patent law, 2009)

Civil Action No. 8:01-cv-2092-T-26TGW, Mercury Enterprises, Inc. v. Ventlab Corporation, in the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division (Expert witness on the subject of patent law, 2003)

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Hydroelectric Projects Nos. 432 and 2784 including direct testimony and cross examination (Expert witness on the subject of electric utility operation and regulation, 1993-1994)

Speaker and advisor for the United States Agency for International Development in Eastern Europe on matters related to electric utilities (1994).

Advisor for the Transmission Task Force of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association charged with developing legislative and regulatory proposals culminating in the Electricity Title of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (1990-1992)

Author or co-author of comments written on behalf of electric utility clients in over a dozen administrative rulemaking proceedings before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Rural Electrification Administration (1990-1994)