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EDUCATION

J.D.,
George Mason University of Law, 1988
B.S., Chemical Engineering
Purdue University, 1983

BAR ADMISSIONS

Virginia
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U.S. Patent & Trademark Office

Mike considers himself an engineer who practices patent law. He enjoys working with inventors and company R&D personnel to fully evaluate and protect their inventions. After acquiring his engineering degree, Mike learned about the patent system from the “inside” by working as a patent examiner in the United States Patent & Trademark more than 30 years ago. Mike’s former experience as a patent examiner helps him advise clients prior to and during the examination phase of their patent applications, while his engineering background helps him work with clients to fully appreciate the scope of their inventions.

Today, Mike concentrates his intellectual property practice in preparing and prosecuting U.S. patent applications and assisting clients in obtaining foreign patents in many countries around the world. Mike has drafted and successfully prosecuted hundreds of patent applications over the years in many technical fields. In addition, Mike provides support for patent litigation, counsels clients on patentability, infringement, right to use, and validity issues, and prepares and evaluates licensing agreements, joint development agreements and other intellectual property related agreements.

Last year, Mike was recognized by Martindale-Hubbell® for his “elite achievement” commemorating his 25th anniversary as a member of the Bar. In the same year, Mike was recognized by his peers as a Leading Lawyer in intellectual property law and patent law. Mike’s devotion and professional commitment to clients is paralleled only by his dedication to community service, for which Mike was acknowledged as a recipient of the prestigious Jefferson Award. In addition, Mike is a prolific author of intellectual property related articles that are published in his IP in Depth column and other media publications.

PRACTICE GROUPS

Litigation
Patent Prosecution

HONORS

- Leading Intellectual Property Lawyer, Leading Lawyers Network, Law Bulletin Publishing Company, 2015, 2016

AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association
- Patent Office Society
- International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI)