



Matthew Williams

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Location

400 West Market Street
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Education

2004 - J.D., *summa cum laude*,
Brandeis School of Law at the
University of Louisville:
Valedictorian, Brandeis Honor
Society, Phi Kappa Phi Honor
Society, Senior Editor - Notes
Brandeis Law Journal, Volume
42, Trademark Law moot court
team, 2003-2004

1992 - B.S. (Engineering
Science), with highest honors,
Speed Scientific School at the
University of Louisville

Honors



*Woodward/White's The Best
Lawyers in America® in the area
of Trademark Law 2020*

*Chambers USA: America's
Leading Lawyers for Business in
Intellectual Property. Clients
interviewed by Chambers USA
describe Mr. Williams as an
"extraordinary lawyer," "an expert
in his field," and "he understands
what we're trying to do."*

Recognized by his peers as a
Kentucky Super Lawyer®
2013 - present

Recognized as one of the "Top
Lawyers" in the areas of
Copyright Law, Information
Technology Law and Patent Law
by *Louisville Magazine*, March
2014

Admissions

Matt Williams is a member of the Firm's Intellectual Property Protection & Litigation Service Team. He concentrates his practice in the area of intellectual property law including patent prosecution and enforcement, trademark prosecution and enforcement, trade secrets, copyrights, client counseling, transaction support, IP licensing, and IP litigation.

Representative Matters

- Represents individuals and corporations in evaluating potential trade and service marks, prosecuting state, federal, and Madrid Protocol applications for trade and service marks, enforcing trademark rights against others, and engaging and managing local counsel to prosecute national applications and to oppose conflicting applications and registrations in other countries.
- Represents individuals and corporations in Opposition and Cancellation proceedings in front of the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.
- Represents individuals and corporations in evaluating the patentability of inventions, prosecuting patent applications, and enforcing patent rights.
- Counsels individuals and corporations on questions of whether their products or methods would infringe on the patent rights of another and defends individuals and corporations against claims that their products or methods infringe on the patent rights of another.
- Represents individuals and corporations in enforcing their trade and service mark rights against cybersquatters in domain name disputes under ICANN's Uniform Domain Name Resolution Policy.

Representative Clients

- AAF-McQuay, Inc.
- Ebonite International, Inc.
- Heaven Hill Distilleries, Inc.

Professional Experience

- Mr. Williams joined the firm in 2005. Before entering the practice of law, he spent ten years at G.E. Appliances as a design engineer, quality engineer, manufacturing supervisor, and purchasing agent.
- Mr. Williams prosecutes patent and trademark applications and advises clients regarding intellectual property matters. He has experience with technologies including consumer products, appliances, refrigeration, medical devices, statistical process control, statistical quality control, and manufacturing machinery including stamping, die-casting, injection molding, and palletizing and material handling. He represents intellectual property owners in patent, trademark, and copyright infringement litigation.

Presentations

- "Update on Intellectual Property Issues in Equine Activities," UK/CLE's 30th Annual National Conference on Equine Law, Lexington, KY, April 2015
- "Patents and Trademarks," Wyatt's 7th Annual In-House Counsel Institute, Louisville, KY, June 2014
- "Hot Topics in IP Law - Non-Traditional Trademarks," Kentucky Bar Association/Louisville Bar Association Corporate Counsel Section, June 2012

Kentucky

United States Patent &
Trademark Office

United States Court of Appeals,
Federal Circuit

United States Court of Appeals,
Sixth Circuit

United States District Court,
Eastern and Western Districts of
Kentucky

United States District Court for
the Western District of
Tennessee

Professional Activities and Memberships

- Louisville and Kentucky Bar Associations
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- International Trademark Association (INTA)

Civic Involvement

- Habitat for Humanity; Board of Directors