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Experience

Loeb & Loeb LLP

Chicago, IL

Equity Partner 2013-present

- High profile, collaborative representation in the software, electrical, mechanical and medical areas
 - Work closely with in-house counsel and tech groups to oversee the identification, preparation and prosecution of 100+ apps/year
 - Assist in litigation, IPRs, and corporate transactions as plaintiff and defendant
 - Identify and monetize inventions for large and small companies
 - Due diligence on prospective patent and company purchases
 - Create team atmosphere to liaison with diverse groups to grow practice
 - Mediator – Certificate of completion from Northwestern University

Miller, Matthias & Hull LLP

Chicago, IL

Equity Partner 2012-2013

- High profile, collaborative representation in the software, electrical, business process and internet arts for large software company
 - Work closely with in-house counsel and tech groups to oversee the identification, preparation and prosecution of 100+ apps/year

Marshall, Gerstein & Borun LLP

Chicago, IL

Equity Partner 2002-2011, Associate 1997-2002

- High profile, collaborative representation in the software, electrical, business process, and internet arts for large software company
 - Work closely with in-house counsel and tech groups to oversee the identification, preparation and prosecution of 100+ apps/year
 - Oversee worldwide network of patent firms to ensure proper coverage
 - Draft and oversee non-infringement and invalidity opinions on high profile litigation matters
 - Analyze patents and applications potentially related to proposed standards and advise client on implications of joining standard
 - Analyze company's patents and products and competitors' patents and products for license discussions
 - Participate in discussions with adverse patent holders and assist in negotiate settlements
 - Create multi-media presentations demonstrating infringement
 - Draft settlement agreements, cross-licenses and technology sharing agreements
- Patent prosecution and clearance work for medical device start-up
 - Oversee and advise management on patent prosecution opportunities
 - Draft and oversee clearance opinion work
 - Interface with investors and assist in investment opportunities
- Guide intellectual property strategy for a top four cable company

- Oversee and advise management on multiple highly contentious, high profile, high dollar demand patent lawsuits
 - Evaluate matters and execute litigation strategy to obtain favorable decisions and settlements
 - Deep involvement in industry wide efforts to defeat key patents
 - Mine company’s IP for offensive patents and revenue
 - Oversee vendors’ outside counsel defending company on indemnification basis
 - Crafted numerous novel fee arrangements, including fixed fees, contingency fees, kickers, penalties and multipliers
- Analyze competitors patents and advise management on strategy
- Second Chair Litigation support for patent litigation involving:
 - DNA sequencing algorithms and DNA sequence prediction algorithms
 - multi-year, multiple jurisdiction on groundbreaking sequencing patents
 - CD/DVD/Blu-Ray methods of storage and compression
 - Nuclear Power plant insulation systems
 - Aircraft auxiliary power unit control systems
- Assist several start-up companies develop IP strategy and execute strategy in the green technology area
- Head of Finance Committee and Computer Science Practice Group

Trio Foundries

Aurora, IL

General Counsel 1995-1997

Took over family business in the face of terminal illness of my father

- Prepared business to be sold and successfully sold the business
- Extensive oversight of a variety of outside counsel

Rudnick & Wolfe (Now DLA Piper)

Chicago, IL

Associate-Litigation group 1994-1995

U. S. Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of Illinois

Chicago, IL

Staff Law Clerk for Federal Judges 1992-1994

Education

Northwestern University

Evanston, IL

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, January 2000, GPA 3.7/4.0

Northwestern University

Chicago, IL

Juris Doctor, May 1992, graduated top 1/3 of class

Coordinating Executive Editor, Journal of Criminal Law & Criminology

University of Illinois

Urbana-Champaign, IL

Bachelor of Science in Finance, May 1989

High Honors Graduate, GPA 4.6/5.0

Admissions

Illinois Bar – November 1992

Patent Bar – February 2000

Miscellaneous

AV rated attorney, Super Lawyer, Best Lawyer, IAM 1,000

Member, IPO Software Sub-Committee