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OVERVIEW

ROBERT (ROB) C. MATTSON, a partner in the firm's Post-Grant and Litigation practice groups, specializes in contested proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) and district courts of the United States. The majority of his work is for high-tech and telecommunications companies, particularly companies that rely heavily on standards-based or standardized technologies.

A skilled **IP litigation attorney**, he argues cases involving such diverse technologies as embedded systems, cloud computing, automotive technologies, smartphones, communications protocols, robotics, and sporting goods. As lead or local counsel, Mr. Mattson represents clients in the Federal Circuit and district courts throughout the country, as well as before the International Trade Commission.

Mr. Mattson practices extensively in post-grant proceedings at the USPTO, including the new inter partes review trials. Most of his clients are involved in concurrent, high-stakes litigation and seek to challenge patents at the USPTO to supplement their overall litigation strategy.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Mattson served as a patent examiner at the USPTO where he specialized in speech-signal processing and artificial intelligence, complex technologies impacting multiple industries. He regularly returns to the USPTO as a member of The Pauline Newman IP American Inn of Court, which is hosted on the Alexandria, Virginia campus.

Mr. Mattson speaks regularly on the use of post-grant proceedings as a litigation strategy. He was formerly an adjunct professor for the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich and continues to lecture domestic and international audiences on a variety of litigation-related topics. Additionally, he actively engages in the pro bono representation of defendants in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia in coordination with the Federal Public Defender Office.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

Represented defendant Stork Townsend as local counsel in a patent infringement action involving the control of sausage-making machines. Settled on favorable terms. *F.R. Drake v. Stork Townsend*, 09-cv-791 (E.D. Va. 2009).

Represented defendant Tandberg as lead counsel in a patent-infringement action involving encoding and decoding of video signals in videoconferencing equipment. Won dismissal of lawsuit in favor of Tandberg. *Multimedia Patent Trust v. Tandberg*, 09-cv-1377 (S.D. Cal. 2009).

Bar Admissions

Virginia

Registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Court Admissions

Supreme Court of the United States

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia

U.S. Court of Appeals for Veteran Claims

Supreme Court of Virginia

Education

George Mason University School of Law, J.D., George Mason Law Review

University of Virginia, B.S., Systems Engineering

Professional Affiliations

Alexandria Bar Association

American Bar Association, Section of Litigation and Section of Intellectual Property

Federal Bar Association

International Association for

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the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI)

Represented plaintiff Tandberg as lead counsel in a patent and trademark infringement action involving videoconferencing equipment. Settled on favorable terms. *Tandberg Telecom v. Polycom*, 08-cv-83 (E.D. Va. 2008.).

Represented defendant Buffalo on appeal to the Federal Circuit in a patent infringement action involving wireless LAN technology. Won remand as reported at 542 F.3d 1363 (Fed. Cir. 2008). Settled on favorable terms during a jury trial. *CSIRO v. Buffalo*, 05-cv-53 (E.D. Tex. 2005).

Represented plaintiff Ricoh in patent infringement action involving toner containers for photocopiers, fax machines, and printers. Won summary judgment of patent infringement and validity as reported at 380 F. Supp.2d 418 (D. N.J. 2005). Subsequently won summary judgment of enforceability, and the case settled on favorable terms just prior to a jury trial. *Ricoh v. Katun Corp.*, 03-cv-2612 (D. N.J. 2003).

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