

Lucas V. (Duke) Haugh

Partner



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Practices/Industries

- Patent Prosecuting, Drafting & Consultation
- Startups & Emerging Growth Companies
- IP Litigation
- Software & Information Technology

Education

Ohio Northern University
(B.S., Electrical Engineering,
with distinction, 2001)
University of North Carolina at
Chapel Hill
(J.D., with honors, 2005)
Managing Editor, *The North
Carolina Journal of Law and
Technology* (NCJOLT)

Overview

Duke focuses his practice on intellectual property. He is a registered patent attorney with broad intellectual property experience in patent preparation and prosecution, patent and trademark portfolio management, freedom-to-operate studies, and license agreements. He counsels a wide variety of clients, ranging from Fortune 50 companies to small and mid-sized businesses, in all phases of intellectual property law including patents, trademarks, copyrights, and trade secrets. Duke's preparation and prosecution of patent applications practice focuses primarily on the computer science, electrical, and mechanical arts. Example areas of experience include cloud computing, artificial intelligence, hard disk drives, wireless communications, video compression, routers, betting and gaming, RFIDs, manufacturing systems, banking and financial systems, payment networks, computer systems, e-commerce, software, medical devices, and business methods. He also routinely provides intellectual property litigation support, including patent claim construction analysis and patent validity studies.

Experience

- Prepared and facilitated ongoing prosecution of international patent applications under the Patent Cooperation Treaty.
- Developed and executed comprehensive IP development program for numerous startup businesses.
- Performed numerous freedom-to-operate studies and competitive patent portfolio analysis.
- Educated in-house inventors regarding patent application preparation and prosecution.
- Developed claim charts, claim constructions, and assisted in preparation of Markman briefs.
- Involved in a transaction with an Asian sovereign wealth fund seeking to make its first investment in the United States.

Presentations

- "Intellectual Property 101," Carl H. Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati (April 2016)
- "Intellectual Property Basics," Carl H. Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati (November 2015)
- "Software Patents: A Moving Target," The Circuit (October 2015)
- "Overview of Intellectual Property," Carl H. Lindner College of Business at the University of Cincinnati (April 2015)
- "IP Law 101: What Labor & Employment Attorneys Need to Know," panelist, Cincinnati Bar Association (December 2014)
- "Software Patents: A Moving Target," HCDC Business Center (November 2014)

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Presentations (Cont)

- “Management of Innovation,” University of Cincinnati’s Carl H. Linder College of Business (March 2014)
- “Overview of Intellectual Property,” University of Cincinnati, Carl H. Lindner College of Business (April 2013 & October 2013)
- “Strategies for Software Protection,” Cincinnati Intellectual Property Law Association (June 2012)

Publications

- “Insert Court Approved Title Here: Rosa Parks v. LaFace Records,” 5 N.C. J.L. &Tech. 277 (2004)

Involvement

Professional Affiliations

- Intellectual Property Owners Association

Honors & Distinctions

- Named to The BTI Client Service All-Stars (2022)

Admissions

- State of Ohio
- State of Pennsylvania
- State of South Carolina (Inactive)
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office