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Bryan's practice includes the preparation and prosecution of patent and trademark applications and drafting intellectual property agreements, including non-compete agreements. He has brought and defended lawsuits in federal and state courts relating to intellectual property, and has participated in seizures of counterfeit and infringing goods.

Bryan prepares and prosecutes U.S. and foreign patent applications for mechanical and electromechanical devices, manufacturing machinery and processes, and metal alloys for clients in the medical device, consumer products, and agrifood tech industries, among others. He also does a substantial amount of patentability searching, trademark availability searching, and patent and trademark infringement studies.

PRACTICE AREAS

Patents; Trademarks & Service Marks; Copyrights; IP Transactions; PTAB Proceedings

INDUSTRIES

Architecture



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NEWS/EVENTS

- "Forces Converge to Make Trademark Law Hot," *Of Counsel* Newsletter

PRESENTATIONS

"CLE: Annual Federal Circuit Year in Review and PTC Section Annual Election," Co-presenter, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, March 3, 2017

"Intellectual Property Owner's Manual," Guest Speaker, Center for Emerging Technologies, June 2016

"Patent Federal Circuit Year in Review and Annual Election Meeting," Guest Speaker, The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, March 2016

IN THE NEWS

- Patent Attorney Bryan Wheelock Quoted in Law360 about Written Description Requirement Rulings
- Bryan Wheelock Quoted about Submarine Patents in Bloomberg Law Article
- Bryan Wheelock Discusses Amended Patent Claims in PTAB Proceedings with Law360
- Bryan Wheelock Interviewed by Law360 about USPTO Deadlines amid COVID-19 Outbreak
- Bryan Wheelock talks to Diagnostics World News about the Value of Diagnostic Patents and Why Congress Must Protect Diagnostic Inventions
- Bryan Wheelock Comments on Peloton's Ongoing IP Fights in Bloomberg Law Article

EVENTS

- Patent Attorney Bryan Wheelock to Participate in Strafford CLE Webinar on the Expectation of Success Doctrine
- Attorneys Michael Thomas and Bryan Wheelock to Participate as Featured Speakers in a Virtual Meeting Hosted by the USPTO
- Harness IP Attorneys to Lead Enterprise University St. Louis Course, "The Technology Pre-Nup: Protecting Your Intellectual Property When Working with Others"
- Harness IP Attorneys Set to Present Enterprise University Course, "The Technology Pre-Nup: Protecting Your Intellectual Property When Working with Others"
- Bryan Wheelock Co-presents 2018 Federal Circuit Year in Review CLE
- Harness IP Attorneys Present Enterprise University Course on Unfair Competition

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- "Evaluating and Addressing the Complexities of Various Intellectual Property Cases," Co-authored by Geoffrey Aurini and Bryan Wheelock, *Litigation Strategies for Intellectual Property Cases*, 2015 Edition

ARTICLES

- Bryan Wheelock Shares IP Design Protection Strategies in Nutrition Industry Executive Magazine

- Bryan Wheelock Authors Article for Robotics Business Review on the Battle over USPTO Legal Fees
- Wheelock & Cauble Co-Author Article about Technology Policies to Protect Your Company
- Attorneys Wheelock & Cauble Share Employee Agreement Basics with Dallas Business Journal
- Bryan Wheelock Pens Article about IP and Video Games for World Trademark Review
- Bryan Wheelock Shares IP Basics for App Developers in New Article

BLOGS

- Patents for a Happy Thanksgiving
- To Claim a Range, Make it Clear You are a Claiming a Range
- Any Third Party Use is Relevant to Whether a Claimant Made Exclusive Use of a Mark
- Veterans: Thank You for your Service
- Patent Venue Construed Strictly, Even in ANDA Litigation
- Indians Acting Like Cowboys: The Cleveland Guardians Trademark Dispute

BACKGROUND

In addition to his practice at Harness IP, Bryan is an Adjunct Professor at Washington University School of Law and Washington University School of Engineering.

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

- *Best Lawyers*, Litigation – Patent “Lawyer of the Year” in St. Louis, 2021
- *Best Lawyers*, “Trademark Lawyer of the Year” in St. Louis, 2015
- *Best Lawyers*, Patent Law and Trademark Law, 2011-2022
- *Best Lawyers*, Copyright Law, 2018-2022
- *Best Lawyers*, Litigation – Intellectual Property and Litigation – Patent, 2019-2022
- *Intellectual Asset Management (IAM)*, “IAM Patent 1000,” 2021
- *Managing Intellectual Property*, “IP Stars,” 2014-2021
- *Missouri Super Lawyers*, 2011-2021
- *World Trademark Review*, “WTR 1000,” 2021
- *Lexology*, Legal Influencer for IP – US, Q1, Q2 2020
- *JD Supra*, Reader’s Choice Award, 2017-2018

- *St. Louis Magazine*, “Best Lawyers,” 2012

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- International Trademark Association, Trademark Reporter Committee

EDUCATION

J.D., Washington University in St. Louis, 1982

B.S.E., Mechanical Engineering, Duke University, 1979

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Missouri

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals Eighth Circuit

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office