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Overview

Daniel Shim leads complex, multijurisdictional intellectual property disputes across North America, Europe, and Asia. A registered U.S. patent attorney with more than 20 years of combined law firm and in-house experience, Daniel brings a client-focused insider's perspective shaped by his prior role leading global IP litigation for one of the world's largest consumer electronics companies.

Clients turn to Daniel for seasoned judgment in matters where legal strategy must align across multiple jurisdictions. Before joining Fish, he served as principal legal counsel and group leader for Samsung Electronics' IP Legal Team, where he led global IP strategy and litigation for the company's consumer products business. Managing a team of litigators, he oversaw disputes against some of the largest players in the consumer electronics industry. His matters have spanned virtually every major patent forum in the world – U.S. district courts; the International Trade Commission; the Unified Patent Court (UPC); the UK High Court; the German Regional Courts in Munich, Mannheim, and Düsseldorf; and the patent courts of the Netherlands, France, China, Korea, Japan, India, and Brazil.

Daniel focuses on patent litigation and counseling involving telecommunications, consumer electronics, mobile devices, network equipment, video codec technologies, wireless charging, and display technologies. He is particularly well positioned to handle standard essential patent and FRAND disputes, and clients rely on him for building effective FRAND narratives, developing strategies for global rate-setting proceedings, fielding anti-suit injunctions, analyzing injunction risk, and assessing licensing exposure in disputes that must be coordinated across jurisdictions.

Throughout his career, Daniel has lived and worked in many places that are home to key venues in global IP litigation, including Belgium, where he focused on fielding UPC-related issues for Samsung Electronics. Fluent in Korean, he spent more than 14 years practicing in Seoul and previously practiced at a Washington, D.C.-based law firm prior to joining Samsung.

Outside of work, Daniel enjoys spending time with his wife and two teenage sons and working on his golf game.

In-House Counsel Experience

Samsung Electronics' European litigation and FRAND strategy in a global smartphone dispute against a major competitor, including proceedings in Germany, the Netherlands, France, Italy, the United Kingdom, Spain, as well as related European Commission antitrust investigations.

Samsung Electronics' defense of landmark 4G telecommunications SEP litigation in the United Kingdom and Germany, in the *Unwired Planet* matters that helped shape modern FRAND jurisprudence.

Samsung Electronics' defense of AVC/HEVC video codec SEP disputes in France and Germany involving Technicolor.

Samsung Electronics' defense in a dispute with Ericsson involving parallel proceedings in the U.S. International Trade Commission, the Eastern District of Texas, Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, the United Kingdom, France, and China. The U.S. cases involved 24 patents covering software and hardware for mobile devices, including phones and tablets.

Samsung Electronics' defense in a global SEP/FRAND dispute involving a major SEP holder, coordinating parallel proceedings in the UK High Court, the German Regional Court of Munich, the UPC Local Division in Mannheim, the Northern District of California, the Business Court of Rio de Janeiro in Brazil, and the Chongqing Intermediate People's Court in China.

Recognitions & awards

WTR 300 – Global Leader

World Trademark Review 2024-2026

Corporate IP Star

Managing IP 2020-2025

Pro bono activities

Earlier in his career, Daniel served as lead associate in an Ethiopian asylum matter, which entailed a full-day administrative hearing before an Immigration Court and resulted in a grant of permanent residency for the asylum seeker. He was recognized for more than 200 pro bono hours in 2008.

News

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Fish & Richardson Strengthens IP Litigation Practice with Former Samsung IP Leader Daniel Shim

Services

Litigation

Patent Litigation

ITC Litigation & Section 337

Standard Essential Patents

Post-Grant

Industries

Electrical & Computer Technology

Consumer Electronics

Telecommunications

Admissions

District of Columbia

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Languages

English

Korean

Education

LL.M. *magna cum laude*, EU Competition Law and Economics, Brussels School of Competition (2016)

J.D., Yeshiva University, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law (2005)

B.S. with high honors, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Rutgers University (2002)