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Overview

David Holt's practice supports post-grant proceedings and patent prosecution before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

David has considerable experience in post-grant proceedings from the perspective of both the petitioner and the patent owner, including presenting oral arguments before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board in several proceedings. He has been listed as counsel in over 140 USPTO post-grant trials and involved in the development of strategy and preparation of filings for many more.

He also has extensive experience drafting patent applications, examiner responses, and patent-related opinions.

David is technically focused on the electrical, computer-related, physics, and mechanical arts. As such, he has extensive experience in the following technologies:

- Internet-driven solutions
- Network systems and protocols
- Data storage and retrieval standards and media
- Microprocessor and computer architecture
- Digital cameras and photography equipment
- Statistical data analytic solutions
- Mobile and other communications equipment and processes
- Display technologies
- Semiconductor devices and fabrication processes
- Signal and image-processing techniques
- Complex optical and mechanical devices
- Error detection and correction techniques
- Telecommunications
- Financial processes
- Acoustics and video standards and equipment
- Turbine engine technology
- High-temperature protective coatings

David is a former patent examiner for the USPTO (2007-2008), where he handled patent applications in the digital camera art. He also worked as a software engineer for the Northrop Grumman Corp. (2005-2007), where he designed test software for ground-based radar systems.

Recognitions & awards

IAM Patent 1000

*IAM*2019-2023

Testimonials

"David has been an excellent day-to-day execution partner on multiple cases." — *Client Testimonial, 2022 Chambers and Partners USA*

Pro bono activities

- Asylum applications on behalf of Immigration Equality
 - Housing conditions on behalf of Legal Aid Society of DC
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Insights

Webinar | June 5, 2024

Post-Grant for Practitioners: 2024 Post-Grant Mid-Year Review

Blog | April 22, 2024

Legal Alert: USPTO Issues Proposed Rules on Discretionary Denial in PTAB Proceedings

Post-Grant Report | January 17, 2024

2023 Post-Grant Annual Report

Webinar | January 17, 2024

Post-Grant 2023 Year in Review

Blog | April 26, 2023

Legal Alert: USPTO Issues Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for PTAB Proceedings

Post-Grant Report | February 28, 2023

2022 Post-Grant Annual Report

Post-Grant Report | February 7, 2022

2021 Post-Grant Annual Report

Blog | October 1, 2021

Legal Alert: What to Know about the Restoring the America Invents Act

Webinar | May 12, 2021

Post-Grant for Practitioners | Drafting Patent Applications to Survive IPR

Post-Grant Report | January 28, 2021

2020 Post-Grant Annual Report

News

June 27, 2023

Fish & Richardson Receives Top Rankings in 2023 Edition of *IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals*

September 8, 2022

Fish & Richardson Receives Top Rankings in 2022 Edition of *IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals*

July 7, 2021

Fish & Richardson Receives Top Rankings in 2021 Edition of *IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals*

August 24, 2020

Fish & Richardson Ranked #1 PTAB Law Firm in the U.S. for First Half of 2020 by *Managing Intellectual Property*

August 12, 2020

Fish & Richardson Receives Top "Gold" Ranking from *IAM Patent 1000* for National Litigation Practice; National Rankings in the Plaintiff Firm and Prosecution...

June 20, 2019

Fish & Richardson Receives Top "Gold" Ranking from *IAM Patent 1000* for National Patent Litigation Practice

January 11, 2018

Fish & Richardson Elevates 19 Attorneys to Principal

Events

October 5, 2023

PTAB Bar Association 2023 Thought Leader Summit

June 8, 2023

PTAB Bar Association Webinar: Impact on Procedures – PTAB Proposed Rule Changes

November 9, 2021

ACC National Capital Region | Infringement for In-House Counsel

April 13, 2021

2021 American Bar Association - Intellectual Property Law Section Annual Meeting

December 11, 2013

Part XI: Standing Before the Panel: Strategies for Post-Grant Oral Hearings

May 29, 2013

The IP Strategy Summit: Enforcement

Additional insights

Speaking engagements

- "Updates to the AIA Trial Practice Guide," *Fish Post-Grant for Practitioners Webinar* (August 2019)
- "The New Age of Enforcement: Post-Grant. How to Avoid Being the Victim When Asserting Your Patents," *The IP Strategy Summit: Enforcement* (May 2013)

Media mentions

- "[Drugmakers Exposed to Antitrust Probes if Patent Cache Adopted](#)," *Bloomberg Law* (May 1, 2024)
 - "[How briefings shakeup could shape PTAB arguments](#)," *Managing IP* (April 24, 2024)
 - "[Patent Rule Skips Contentious Changes, Proposes Refined Test](#)," *Bloomberg Law* (April 18, 2024)
 - "[How Vidal Set The PTAB On A New Course In 2022](#)," *Law360* (December 20, 2022)
 - "Dissent in PTAB edict could spur surge of Arthrex-extension bids," *Managing Intellectual Property* (October 26, 2021)
 - "Counsel predicts Leahy's PTAB bill will pass, but with changes," *Managing Intellectual Property* (October 1, 2021)
 - "Uptick in 2020 PTAB Cases May Signal New Normal," *Law360* (March 10, 2021)
 - "6 PTAB Issues that Came to A Head in 2019," *Law360* (2019)
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Services

Post-Grant

Patent

Patent Prosecution

Strategic Patent Counseling & Opinions

Industries

Electrical & Computer Technology

Software & Internet

Hardware

Semiconductors

Consumer Electronics

Optics

Digital Media & E-Commerce

Telecommunications

Transportation, Aerospace & Defense

Admissions

District of Columbia (2019)

Virginia (2011)

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (2009)

Education

J.D., George Washington University Law School (2011)

B.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (2005)