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## Overview

Leeron Kalay, the office hiring principal for Fish's Silicon Valley office, is a trial lawyer and problem solver, specializing in complex, competitor cases. Throughout his career, he has tried many cases both before the U.S. International Trade Commission and in U.S. district courts across the country.

He has successfully litigated patent and trade secret disputes spanning a wide range of technologies, including semiconductors, medical devices, battery cells, DNA sequencing, solar power, and wireless communications.

Leeron has extensive experience guiding clients through pre-suit investigations, the fast-paced discovery of Section 337 investigations, trial, appeals, and enforcement. In addition to managing multiple trial teams, Leeron's courtroom work includes witness examinations at trial and oral arguments. His pre-trial work includes crafting and executing strategy for various case-dispositive issues, including damages.

Leeron is active as a writer and lecturer on issues relevant to the intellectual property bar. Most recently, he was a co-author of the Federal Judicial Center's Patent Mediation Guide.

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## Experience

### U.S. International Trade Commission, Section 337 investigations

*Certain Wireless Mesh Networking Products and Related Components Thereof, Inv. No. 337-TA-1131* – Represented third parties in third party discovery disputes.

*Certain Batteries and Electrochemical Devices Containing Composite Separators, Components Thereof, and Products Containing Same, Inv. No. 337-TA-1087* – Represented Complainant LG Chem in an Investigation regarding patents related to lithium-ion battery technology.

*Certain Non-Volatile Memory Devices And Products Containing Same, Inv. No. 337-TA-1046* – Represented Complainant Macronix in an Investigation regarding patents related to NAND flash and NOR flash technology.

*Certain Graphic Systems, Components Thereof, And Consumer Products Containing The Same, Inv. No. 337-TA-1044* – Represented Respondent LG Electronics in an Investigation regarding patents related to graphics processor technology as well as televisions and media devices containing the same.

*Certain Graphics Processors, DDR Memory Controllers, And Products Containing The Same, Inv. No. 337-TA-1037* – Represented

Respondent LG Electronics in an Investigation regarding patents related to graphics processors, DDR memory controllers and media devices containing the same.

*Certain Network Devices, Related Software, and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-944 / 995 – Represented respondent in an Investigation regarding patents relating to network switching devices.

*Certain Nanopores and Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-991 – Represented Complainants Illumina, the University of Washington, and the University of Alabama, Birmingham in an Investigation brought against certain DNA sequencing companies.

*Certain Devices Containing Non-Volatile Memory And Products Containing The Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-922 – Represented Complainant Macronix in an Investigation regarding patents relating to non-volatile memory.

*Certain Non-Volatile Memory Devices and Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-916 – Represented respondents in an Investigation regarding patents relating to non-volatile memory.

*Certain Electronic Devices with Communication Capabilities, Components Thereof, and Related Software*, Inv. No. 337-TA-808 – Represented respondents in an Investigation relating to various computer products and mobile devices.

*Certain Semiconductor Chips and Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-753 – Represented respondents in an Investigation relating to controllers for various generations of SDRAMs, DDR SDRAMs, GDDR SDRAMs, mDDR SDRAMs, and LPDDR SDRAMs.

*Certain Semiconductor Chips Having Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory Controllers And Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-661 – Represented respondents in an Investigation relating to memory devices and their associated memory controllers.

*Certain Flash Memory Controllers, Drives, Memory Cards, and Media Players and Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-619 – Represented respondents in an Investigation relating to flash memory and controllers.

#### **U.S. District Court cases**

*NEXTracker v. Sunlink Corp.* (D. Del.) – Represented NEXTracker in a patent infringement case involving tracker technology.

*ATI v. Colin Mitchell, NEXTracker, et al.* (D.N.M.) – Represented the defendants in a trade secret case involving solar tracker technology. The parties reached a settlement on the eve of trial.

*Macronix International Co., Ltd. v. Toshiba Corporation et al.* (S.D. Cal.) – Represented Macronix in parallel district court proceeding related to NAND flash and NOR flash technology.

*B.E. Technology v. Microsoft Corp.* (W.D. Tenn., PTAB) – Represented Microsoft in a patent infringement case directed at Microsoft digital stores. All asserted claim found unpatentable by the Patent Trial and Appeal Board.

*Safe Storage, LLC v. VMware, Inc.* (D. Dell) – Represented VMware in a patent infringement case

*Parallel Iron v. VMware, Inc.* (D. Del., PTAB) – Represented VMware in a patent infringement case

*BorgWarner, Inc. v. Honeywell Int'l, Inc.* (W.D.N.C.) – Represented BorgWarner in assertion of patents in case relating to the design and manufacture of turbocharger components. Case resulted in settlement for \$32.5 million to client.

*SanDisk v. Kingston et al.* (W.D. Wis.) – Represented Kingston in patent and antitrust litigation involving flash memory products. Court granted summary judgment of non-infringement in favor of Kingston.

*MasterObjects, Inc. v. Microsoft Corp.* (N.D. Cal.) – Represented Microsoft in a patent infringement case concerning search engine technology.

*SanDisk v. Phison et al.* (W.D. Wis.) – Represented Kingston in patent infringement case involving flash memory products. District judge found summary judgment of non-infringement in favor of Kingston.

*PageMelding, Inc. v. Feeva Tech. et al.* (N.D. Cal.) – Represented Microsoft in a patent infringement case concerning customized content on web properties. Obtained favorable claim construction for client, resulting in settlement of case shortly thereafter.

*Thaicom Public Company Limited v. Qualcomm Logic (Analog), Inc.* (N.D. Cal.) – Obtained judgment for breach of contract, and pursued seizure of assets in support of judgment on behalf of client Thaicom.

*Rambus, Inc. v. Micron Technology, Inc.* (D. Del. & N.D. Cal.) – Represented Micron in a series of patent infringement, equitable estoppel, and antitrust matters involving SDRAM controller patents. Dist. of Delaware held 12 Rambus patents to be unenforceable due to spoliation and unclean hands. Spoliation finding was affirmed by Federal Circuit. (Cases handled prior to joining Fish & Richardson)

*Mangosoft, Inc. v. Oracle Corp.* (D.N.H.; Fed. Cir.) – Represented Oracle in patent infringement case concerning internet and database technology. Court granted summary judgment of noninfringement by Oracle; ruling upheld by Federal Circuit. (Case handled prior to joining Fish & Richardson)

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## Recognitions & awards

Best Lawyers in America

*Best Lawyers* 2023-2026

Northern California Rising Star

*Super Lawyers* 2010-2014

Wiley W. Manuel Award for Pro Bono Legal Services

*State Bar of California* 2013

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## Professional associations

Trade Secret and Misappropriation Section Subcommittee Chair, American Bar Association (2017-present)

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## Insights

Webinar | March 13, 2025

Civility in IP Litigation and IP Practice

Blog | January 22, 2025

Protecting and Enforcing Your Trade Secrets in a Global Economy

*Fish & Richardson*

Blog | May 1, 2024

What the FTC's Ban on Noncompete Agreements Means for Trade Secrets

*Fish & Richardson*

Webinar | February 28, 2024

Protecting and Enforcing Your Trade Secrets in a Global Economy

Webinar | February 15, 2023

Initiating Trade Secret Litigation

Webinar | November 17, 2020

Litigating Non-Patent Claims at the ITC

Webinar | March 26, 2020

Trade Secrets: Protection & Defense

Webinar | May 22, 2019

Patent Mediation: An Insider's View

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## News

August 20, 2025

95 Fish Attorneys Included in the 2026 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*

August 15, 2024

101 Fish Attorneys Included in the 2025 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*

August 17, 2023

101 Fish Attorneys Included in the 2024 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*

May 23, 2023

Twenty-Three People From Fish & Richardson Honored by California Lawyers Association With Wiley W. Manuel Certificate for Pro Bono Legal Services

August 22, 2022

96 Fish Attorneys Included in the 2023 Edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*

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## Events

September 19, 2019

Daily Journal 2019 Trade Secrets Forum

April 18, 2018

Daily Journal Patent Disputes Forum North

December 8, 2016

Kalay To Participate In IP Value Summit

June 12, 2013

Israeli Life Sciences and Biomed Industry Conference

January 2, 2011

What Israeli Companies Really Need To Know About IP Protection and Enforcement in the U.S.

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## Additional insights

### Publications

- [Patent Mediation Guide \(2019\)](#)
- Patent Case Management Judicial Guide, Second Edition (2012)
- Patents in Germany and Europe: Procurement, Enforcement, and Defense (2011)
- "Old World Fix For New Patent Problem? How bailments could help pharmaceutical companies solve the 'on-sale bar' problem," *IP Law & Business* (April-May 2009)

### Speaking engagements

- "Follow the Bread Crumbs: Trade Secrets Evidentiary Issues," *Daily Journal Trade Secrets Forum* (September 2019)
- "Where Are We Now and How Did We Get Here?" *Daily Journal Patent Disputes Forum North* (April 2018)

### Media mentions

- "[Keeping Emotion Out of Trade Secret Theft Claims](#)," *Legal Dive* (March 18, 2023)

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## Services

Litigation

ITC Litigation & Section 337

Patent Litigation

Trade Secret Litigation

IP Licensing, Transactions & Agreements

## Industries

Electrical & Computer Technology

Software & Internet

Hardware

Semiconductors

Transportation, Aerospace & Defense

## Admissions

California

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

## Languages

English

Hebrew

## Education

J.D., New York University School of Law (2004)

B.A. *cum laude*, Political Science and Rhetoric, University of California, Berkeley (2001)