

BENJAMIN J. BRADFORD (BEN), Partner

Benjamin J. Bradford is a litigation partner concentrating on intellectual property/technology litigation with a focus on computer and internet technologies. He has significant experience litigating and counseling patent, trademark, trade secret and copyright issues. Mr. Bradford's focus on computer and internet technologies stems from his masters degree in mathematics/computer science and prior computer programming experience. In addition, he has experience in a wide variety of civil litigation matters including breach of contract, fraud and real property issues.

Mr. Bradford has been recognized by *Illinois Super Lawyers* as a "Rising Star" in Intellectual Property Litigation since 2011. His professional accomplishments include handling first chair responsibilities for a multimillion dollar technology dispute; arguing a Seventh Circuit appeal; and leading numerous complex litigations. Mr. Bradford is a member of the firm's Hiring Committee and Litigation Associate Assignment Committee and Computer Security Task Force. He also served as a co-chair of the 2013 Summer Program.

Mr. Bradford is a member of the bars of Illinois, the Seventh Circuit, the Federal Circuit, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois and the United States Patent and Trademark Office. He is also a member of TechLaw, a global network of leading law firms that share expertise on technology and IP issues. Mr. Bradford is also regularly involved in pro bono representation in both criminal and civil matters.

Mr. Bradford's practice focuses on intellectual property litigation with a concentration on legal issues involving the computer arts. He has experience with patent, trademark, trade secret and other complex civil litigation matters.

- Mr. Bradford first chaired an arbitration involving a patent license dispute over intelligent video surveillance software;
- He regularly defends companies in patent disputes involving dynamic web page generation, LED circuits, Internet technologies, computer software, video analytics, universal power adapters, liquid crystal displays (LCDs), computer networking, wireless mesh systems and thin-film transistors.
- He has experience in a variety of intellectual property counseling including trademark prosecution and litigation and trade secret litigation.
- He has been significantly involved in complex trials and arbitrations. He has examined and cross examined numerous technical and corporate witnesses.
- Mr. Bradford also has broad experience drafting briefs and motions. His appellate experience includes drafting and arguing an appeal before the Seventh Circuit and drafting and preparing appeals before the Federal Circuit.
- In addition to his experience with intellectual property litigation, Mr. Bradford is involved in numerous pro bono projects. He argued a direct appeal of a criminal conviction before the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. Mr.



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Trademark, Advertising and Unfair
Competition Practice

INDUSTRY GROUPS

FinTech

EDUCATION

University of Chicago Law School, JD,
2005

Emory University, BS, 2000

Emory University, MS, 2000

ADMISSIONS

Illinois, 2005

COURT ADMISSIONS

US Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit,
2011

US Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit, 2011

US District Court, Northern District of Illinois,
2005

US Patent and Trademark Office, 2016

Bradford has been involved in preparing and handling criminal trials, including arguing contested evidentiary motions.

Awards

- *Illinois Super Lawyer*
"Rising Star," Intellectual Property - 2011-2018
- Law Bulletin Publishing Company - Leading Lawyers Network
"Emerging Lawyer," Intellectual Property Law - 2015
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
Award for Excellence in Pro Bono Service, 2014

Service To The Bar

- The TechLaw Organization

Publications

- "The Uncertain Protection of 'Derivative' Trade Secrets," *The John Marshall Review of Intellectual Property Law*, 2019
- "Supreme Court Upholds, and Changes, IPR Administrative Patent Challenges in Oil States and SAS", April 25, 2018
- Client Alert: US Supreme Court Defines Scope of Patent Exhaustion: Any Sale of a Product, Domestic or Abroad, Terminates a Patentee's Rights in that Product, May 30, 2017
- Co-Author, "Protecting Trade Secrets Stored in the Cloud," ABA Section of Litigation *Intellectual Property Newsletter*, March 28, 2014
- A Proposal for Mandatory Patent Reexaminations, *IDEA: The Intellectual Property Review* Vol. 52, No. 2, October 31, 2012
- "New Local Patent Rules In Northern District of Illinois," *Law360*, October 27, 2009
- Client Advisory: Northern District of Illinois Enacts Local Patent Rules, October 20, 2009
- "The Pair Realignment Algorithm for Multiple Protein Sequence Alignments," *Emory University*, 2000

Speaking Engagements

- Panelist, "Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence – Enforcing and Acquiring in an Age of Legal Landmines," Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago, December 08, 2020
- Panelist, Partners Teach at PLI's Illinois Basic Skills for Newly Admitted Lawyers, October 1, 2018
- "Data Protection Concerns in Global Litigation," Techlaw Group Inc., May 23, 2017
- "Patent Litigation 101/An Introduction to Patent Litigation," University of Michigan Law School Intellectual Property Students' Association, January 28, 2015
- "What To Do When Getting Sued in the U.S.," TechLaw Group Inc., October 30, 2014
- "Protecting Your Business From Within," TechLaw Group, Inc. and Jenner & Block, October 09, 2013
- American Bar Association Section of Litigation and Navigant - Strategic Implications of the Patent Reform Act of 2011, December 01, 2011

— 55th Annual Intellectual Property Law Conference - False Patent Marketing, February 25, 2011