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Intellectual Property Law

PRACTICE AREAS

- Patents
- Trademarks
- Post-Grant Proceedings
- IP Litigation
- IP Diligence

TECHNOLOGIES

- Mechanical Engineering
- Materials Science
- Medical Devices
- Chemical Engineering
- Clean Technology
- Computer Software
- Telecommunications
- Semiconductors

EDUCATION

- Harvard College, A.B.
in Physics
- Boston College Law
School, J.D.

Keith is a trusted advisor in intellectual property matters both in the U.S. and abroad, with over 20 years of experience with focus on patent prosecution and Inter Partes Review (IPR) Proceedings.

With a background in Physics from Harvard, Keith is a seasoned patent prosecutor. Keith draws on his technical and legal expertise gained in patent prosecution to provide insightful understanding of issues in IP litigation and administrative proceedings.

Keith assists clients to obtain patent rights worldwide, managing large patent portfolios and creating consistent strategies across multiple jurisdictions. He has successfully counseled clients in multiple IPR proceedings at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). He advises clients including start-ups, universities, and companies of all sizes with building strategic patent portfolios.

IPR Experience

He is a member of our firm's IPR and litigation teams that have represented multiple clients in successful IPR proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. His proceedings have included IPRs against an American multinational automobile manufacturer and IPRs in support of a multinational networking and telecommunications company. In addition, Keith has been a member of our firm's team in multiple appeals before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

IP Portfolio and Due Diligence Experience

Keith also counsels clients in strategic matters such as IP due diligence for company acquisitions and investments by venture capital firms. He has counseled clients on the importance of design patent and trademark protection as valuable additions to their overall IP protection and patent portfolios. Keith performs competitive assessments and monitoring of IP portfolios for clients interested in strategic growth and positioning of their businesses.

Keith has patent experience in a wide variety of technologies, such as semiconductor manufacturing, graphene-based materials, microfluidics, medical devices, acoustics, optics, sensors, filtration, speech-recognition software, telecommunications, battery material simulation software, pharmaceutical release rate prediction, electroporation devices, nanotube materials, nanopore manufacturing, fuel cells, wind power, and clean energy technologies.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Boston Bar Association
- Boston Intellectual Property Law Association
 - Board Member
 - Past co-chair of the International and Foreign Practice Committee
- MIT eForum of Cambridge, Past Committee Chair, Energy Special Interest Group (Energy SIG)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Massachusetts

Keith is a member of the Board of the Boston Intellectual Property Law Association (BIPLA), having previously served as the association's co-chair of the International and Foreign Practice Committee. For several years, he served as Committee Chair of the Energy Special Interest Group of the MIT Enterprise Forum of Cambridge.

ARTICLES

- BPLA International and Foreign Practice Committee Host an Event on Strategies for Prosecuting Biotech and Life Science Patents in China , May 11, 2017
- Patent Office Pilot Fast-Tracks Green Tech Applications, This article appeared in the January 2011 edition of WPI Venture Forum's Vantage Newsletter, January 2011

IP NEWS ALERTS

- United States Supreme Court Decision in Arthrex Finds a Constitutional Remedy for the Structure of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board in Post Grant Patent Challenges, June 25, 2021
- PTO to Expand Green Technology Pilot Program, Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds Alert, May 2010
- European Patent Office Rules Set to Change on April 1, 2010 , Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds Alert, February 23, 2010
- PTO to Accelerate Review of Green Technology Patent Applications, Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds Alert, December 2009

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Intellectual Property Considerations for Protecting Your Company's Innovations," MIT Enterprise Forum, Cambridge Innovation Center, March 6, 2019
- "Intellectual Property Considerations for Protecting Your Company's Innovations" MIT Enterprise Forum, Cambridge Innovation Center, September 14, 2017
- "Smart Cyber Security, Patent and Trade Secret Protection for Startups," MIT Enterprise Forum of Cambridge/Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds Lecture, Cambridge, MA, November 17, 2016