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Areas of Practice

Intellectual Property | Trademark Law | Intellectual Property Litigation | Patent Law | Patent Prosecution | Trade Secrets | Post-Grant Proceedings | Technology | Health Care | Entertainment

Matthew (Matt) P. Warezak is a Partner in the Intellectual Property Practice of Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP.

Mr. Warezak is an experienced IP litigator, enforcing his client's patents, copyright, and trademarks, as well as shielding them from frivolous IP claims. In addition, he procures patents and trademarks for his client, and offers counsel on other IP issues as well. Mr. Warezak has successfully represented and assisted clients of various sizes, from start-ups to Fortune 100 companies, with IP matters across a wide range of fields, including medical devices, telecommunications, finance, banking, internet applications, heavy machinery, agricultural tools and systems, lighting, textiles, merchandising displays, and watercraft.

Mr. Warezak's representation of clients includes a wide variety of general patent matters, including enforcing clients' patent rights, representing clients before the United States Patent Trial and Appeal Board, prosecuting applications to obtain patents, and providing counsel in patent portfolio management. In addition, Mr. Warezak assists clients with obtaining, maintaining, and enforcing their trademarks. He has also counseled clients on a variety of copyright issues, ranging from issues of authorship and ownership, sovereign immunity implications of suing state entities in federal court for copyright infringement, copyright's fair use defense, and willful infringement.

Mr. Warezak is admitted to practice before the Georgia Supreme Court, the Northern and Middle Districts of Georgia, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. He is also admitted to practice before the United States Patent Office. Mr. Warezak is also a Pro Bono Partner for SGR, the Vice President for the Hon. Charles Pannell, Jr. IP Inn of Court, a member of the Pro Bono Committee for International Trademark Association (INTA), and an active member of [The International Association of Young Lawyers \(AIJA\)](#).

In addition to his full-time legal practice, Mr. Warezak is an Adjunct Professor of patent law at the University of Georgia School of Law, and was also a member of UGA's Innovation External Advisory (IDEA) Board. He was a member of the Georgia Intellectual Property Alliance (GIPA) IP Leadership class of 2025, and a member of the 2018 Class of Leadership Buckhead. He is currently a board member for Propel ATL, a non-profit organization aimed at transforming Atlanta's streets into safe, inclusive, and thriving spaces for people to ride, walk, and roll. Mr. Warezak is an active supporter of the local arts, including being a current Advisory Board and former board member of Dad's Garage Theater, Atlanta's leading improv theater group, and a member of the Advisory Board and the former President of the Board of Directors for Out-of-Hand Theater. He was also a member of the advisory board for Georgia PATENTS, a program associated with Georgia Lawyers for the Arts aimed at helping solo inventors, non-profits, and small businesses find patent agents and attorneys to help draft and file patents on a pro bono basis.

Mr. Warezak received his B.S. degree in Industrial and Systems Engineering, with highest honors, from the Georgia Institute of Technology in 2002. While at Georgia Tech, Mr. Warezak was a Presidential Scholar and a Georgia Tech Ambassador. Mr. Warezak received his J.D. from the University of Georgia's School of Law in 2006, where he was the Managing Editor of the Journal of Intellectual Property Law. Prior to enrolling at the University of Georgia, Mr. Warezak worked for Caterpillar. He is also an avid bike commuter, and loves getting to places quicker than you do in your car.

Admissions

Georgia

USPTO

Federal District Court for Middle District of Georgia

Federal District Court for Northern District of Georgia

The Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Memberships

Section of Georgia Bar, Intellectual Property Section

International Trademark Association (INTA)

The Honorable Charles A. Pannell, Jr Intellectual Property American Inn of Court

Georgia Intellectual Property Alliance (GIPA)

American Bar Association – Intellectual Property Section

Association of University Technology Managers

The International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA)

Recognitions

The Best Lawyers in America®, Litigation – Intellectual Property, Atlanta (2021-2026)

The Best Lawyers in America®, Trademark Law, Atlanta (2023-2026)

The Best Lawyers in America®, Patent Law, Atlanta (2025-2026)

IAM Patent 1000 (2023-2025)

GIPA IP Leadership, Class of 2025

Georgia Super Lawyers Rising Star, IP (2014-2016, 2018, 2019)

Georgia Trend magazine - Legal Elite (2017)

Leadership Buckhead, Class of 2018

Publications and Speaking Engagements

AI x IP x Life Sciences, AIJA - Navigating the Future of Healthcare: IP Strategies, Regulatory Challenges, and Beyond - Copenhagen, DN - October 2025

IP Session – Emory Entrepreneurship Clinic – October 2024

'Unenforceable? Is IP Enforcement in Asia Really So Different?' AIJA - The Future of the Legal Profession: Reunite and Embrace the Change – Singapore – August 2022

Geoffrey Gavin & Matthew Warezak, Disputed Claim Constructions, Patent World March 2009