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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 also 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 in post grant review proceedings with 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 several specific copyright issues, including the sovereign immunity implications of suing state entities in federal court for copyright infringement and copyright's fair use defense.

Mr. Warezak is admitted to practice before the Georgia Supreme Court, the Northern District 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.

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Mr. Warenzak is also the Pro Bono Partner for SGR, a chair for the Community Outreach Committee of Georgia's Intellectual Property section of the State Bar of Georgia, and the Program Coordinator for the Atlanta IP Inn of Court.

In addition to his full-time legal practice, Mr. Warenzak is an Adjunct Professor of patent law at the University of Georgia School of Law, serves as well as its representative for the Georgia Intellectual Property Alliance, and was also a member of the University's Innovation External Advisory (IDEA) Board. He is also a member of the 2018 Class of Leadership Buckhead. Mr. Warenzak is an active supporter of the local arts, including being a board member 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. Warenzak 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. Warenzak was a Presidential Scholar and a Georgia Tech Ambassador. Mr. Warenzak 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. Warenzak worked for Caterpillar.

Admissions

Georgia

USPTO

Federal District Court for Northern District of Georgia

The Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Memberships

Section of Georgia Bar, Intellectual Property Section

American Bar Association – Intellectual Property Section

Federal Bar Association

Association of University Technology Managers

Technology Association of Georgia