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Languages: Russian

education

- J.D., University of Utah, S.J. Quinney College of Law
- B.S., University of Utah, Chemical Engineering

expertise

Patent Preparation and Prosecution • Prior Art Searching • Patentability Evaluation • Intellectual Property Contracts and Licensing

Mike assists clients in protecting their investments in research and development by obtaining intellectual property protection so good ideas can benefit consumers by being incorporated into useful products.

Mike received his undergraduate degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of Utah, where he researched and conducted experiments in chemical polymer extrusion, semiconductor manufacturing, biomedical membrane separation, thermodynamic heat exchanger operation, and distillation processes.

During law school, Mike served as a Senior Staff Member on the Utah Law Review and the treasurer for the Student Intellectual Property Law Association, Art Law Alliance, and the Minority Law Caucus. Mike interned at the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the Office of Policy and External Affairs, where he researched foreign IP policy to formulate domestic and international policy regarding IP rights protection and advised the Secretary of Commerce, the President of the United States, and the Administration on IP protection issues. Mike was also an associate at the Lassonde New Venture Development Center, where he helped commercialize technologies developed at the University of Utah.

Mike is passionate about music and enjoys attending concerts and festivals. He also enjoys snowboarding, wakeboarding, mountain biking, and whitewater rafting.



my focus

Artificial Intelligence	Automotive
Aviation	Computers & Databases
Consumer Goods & Services	Electric Systems
Clean Technology & Renewable Energy	Intellectual Property Licensing & Transactions
Intellectual Property Portfolio Management	Manufacturing
Medical Devices	Networking & Wireless Technology
Optical Technology	Outdoor Recreation & Sporting Goods
Opinions & Counseling	Patent Prosecution
Post-Issuance Proceedings	Software
Telecommunications	Trademark Prosecution

technical experience

- Semiconductor Manufacturing
- Chemical and Fuels Engineering
- · Combustion Technology
- Air Pollution Control Engineering
- Polymer Chemistry
- Chemical Intermediates Manufacturing
- Industrial Process Design
- Biotechnology & Life Sciences
- Biomedical Engineering
- Medical and Dental Devices
- Optical Networking Systems and Components
- X-Ray Devices and Equipment
- · Physics & Optics
- Fermentation and Distillation Processes
- Manufacturing Equipment
- Computer Systems, Software & Internet Technologies
- Electronics device and electromechanical Systems
- Outdoor Sports Equipment

professional admissions & associations

- Utah State Bar
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

publications & presentations

- "Who (Actually) Owns Your Company's IP?" Utah Business Magazine webinar (April 28, 2021)
- "Best Practices for Employee Confidentiality and Proprietary Rights Agreements," The Enterprise (February 17-23, 2020)

 "The Defend Trade Secrets Act Getting a Head Start," April 2016
- The Prior User Rights Defense: Working Silently in the Background to Change the Way Businesses Protect Their Inventions, IP BRIEF, Vol. 4, Issue 3, at 72 (201:
- Christina Gervasi, Mikhael Mikhalev, Marcela Palacio Puerta, Paul Barker, Stacy Lewis, and Tom Irving, "America Invents Act Effects on Litigation," IP LITIGATOR, May/June 2013.

awards & recognition

- U.S. News & World Report's Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch, Patent Law (2022 2024)
- Lassonde Graduate Fellowship, New Ventures Clinic at the Lassonde Entrepreneur Center, 2012-2013
- · College of Law Outstanding Achievement Award (best overall performance), Patent Drafting, 2010
- Dean's List, John Marshall Law School, Fall 2010 and Spring 2011