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education

- J.D., University of Chicago, *cum laude*
- Ph.D., Harvard University
- A.M., Harvard University
- M.S., University of Utah
- B.S., University of Utah

expertise

Complex IP Litigation • Inter Partes Conflicts • Mediation and Arbitration • Patent Infringement • Trademark Infringement • Copyright Infringement • Trade Dress Infringement • Misappropriation of Trade Secrets

Rex primarily represents clients in complex business and intellectual property disputes, including patent, trade secret, trademark, trade dress, and copyright, as well as securities, antitrust, false advertising, unfair business practice, tortious interference, and contract disputes. Many of his clients are companies in technology-intensive fields, including computer hardware and software, payment system security, and pharmaceuticals, or exercise equipment designers and manufacturers, among others. He is admitted to practice in state and federal courts in Utah and California; in the United States Courts of Appeal for the Ninth, Tenth, and Federal Circuits; and in the United States Court of Claims.

Prior to law school, Rex was a teaching fellow for the Harvard University Philosophy Department, and he taught as visiting faculty at the University of Utah and Brigham Young University. Most recently, he taught as adjunct faculty at the University of New Mexico School of Law.



my focus

Appellate Practice	Arbitration & Mediation	Complex Business Litigation	Computers & Databases
Consumer Goods & Services	Copyright Enforcement & Litigation	Domain Name Disputes	Financial Services & eCommerce
Manufacturing	Networking & Wireless Technology	Outdoor Recreation & Sporting Goods	Patent Litigation
Post-Issuance Proceedings	Semiconductor	Software	Telecommunications
Trade Secret & Unfair Competition Enforcement & Litigation	Trademark & Trade Dress Infringement Enforcement & Litigation		

technical experience

- Computer Systems, Software, E-Commerce, Business Methods & Information Technology – Software Systems and Architecture
- Mechanics & Mechanical Engineering – Exercise & Training Equipment

professional admissions & associations

- Utah State Bar
- California State Bar
- New Mexico State Bar
- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
- American Bar Association
- Federal Bar Association
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Claims
- Chair, Advisory Board, Center for Law and Biomedical Sciences at the S.J. Quinney College of Law

publication & speaking engagements

- "Copyright: What Is It Good For? And How Do I Keep My Copyright House In Order?" *Utah Business Magazine* Webinar (March 2020)
- "Comic Con: A Convention by Any Other Name?," *Orange County Lawyer*, April 2018 (Vol. 60 No. 4), p. 34.
- "Two Stepping with *Alice* in Justice Stevens' Shadow," 99 *Journal of the Patent and Trademark Office Society* 129 (2017) "
- "Punishing the Saints for Their "Peculiar Institution: Congress on the Constitutional Dilemmas," 2001 *Utah L. Rev.* 581

awards & recognition

- U.S. News & World Report's Best Lawyers; Litigation – Intellectual Property, Litigation – Patent (2022 – 2025)