



## Mark W. Ford

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### education

- J.D., George Mason University, 2005
- B.A., Brigham Young University, Chemistry, 2001  
Minor, Electronics Engineering Technology

### expertise

Patent Prosecution • Intellectual Property Licensing & Transactions • Intellectual Property Portfolio Management • Post-Issuance Proceedings • Patent Litigation

Mark Ford is an intellectual property lawyer with broad and diverse experience encompassing both IP litigation and prosecution. He began his career in 2005 as an IP litigator, representing clients in courtrooms around the country. Mark then became active in post-grant practice, representing clients before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. While he continues to represent clients in litigation and post-grant matters, his practice now focuses primarily on patent prosecution, where he represents clients in their patent acquisition efforts both domestically before the United States Patent and Trademark Office and internationally. This expansive experience allows Mark to not only understand and apply complex legal theories to sophisticated technologies, but also allows Mark to view these theories and technologies from a variety of different angles and perspectives.

Mark is also an adjunct professor at the University of Utah's S.J. Quinney College of Law, where he teaches a course on patent drafting.

Mark received his J.D. from George Mason University, where he was an editor for the *George Mason Law Review* and served as a judicial extern for Judge Randall R. Rader at the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in Washington, D.C.

In his free time, Mark enjoys traveling with his family. Mark and his family lived in New Zealand for several years where they fell in love with the country and the people.



### my focus

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| Artificial Intelligence             | Chemical                                       | Computers & Databases                      | Consumer Goods & Services           |
| Clean Technology & Renewable Energy | Intellectual Property Licensing & Transactions | Intellectual Property Portfolio Management | Outdoor Recreation & Sporting Goods |
| Patent Litigation                   | Patent Prosecution                             | Post-Issuance Proceedings                  | Software                            |

### technical experience

- Chemistry & Chemical Engineering
- Electronics & Electrical Engineering
- Computer Systems, Software, E-Commerce, Business Methods & Information Technology

- Mechanics & Mechanical Engineering

## **representative matters**

- IPR2013-00464 (On behalf of Patent Owner)
- IPR2014-00184 (On behalf of Patent Owner)
- IPR2013-00364 (On behalf of Petitioner)
- IPR2014-00270 (On behalf of Petitioner)
- IPR2014-01242 (On behalf of Patent Owner)
- CBM2014-00201 (On behalf of Petitioner)
- CBM2014-00202 (On behalf of Petitioner)
- CBM2014-00202 (On behalf of Petitioner)
- Application No. 90/012,684 (Ex Parte Reexamination, on behalf of Petitioner)
- Application No. 90/013,350 (Ex Parte Reexamination, on behalf of Patent Owner)
- Application No. 90/011,768 (Ex Parte Reexamination, on behalf of Patent Owner)
- Application No. 90/012,959 (Ex Parte Reexamination, on behalf of Patent Owner)
- Application No. 90/012,957 (Ex Parte Reexamination, on behalf of Patent Owner)

## **professional admissions & associations**

- Utah State Bar
- Registered Patent Attorney
- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)

## **awards & recognition**

- U.S. News & World Report's Best Lawyers: Patent Law (2024 – 2025)
- Mountain States Super Lawyer (2016 – 2024)
- Mountain States Super Lawyer Rising Star (2014 – 2015)
- Utah Business Magazine's Legal Elite, 2015

## **publications & presentations**

- "Means-plus Function Claims: A Return to Relevance?," *The Patent Lawyer Magazine* (The Patent Lawyer Annual 2024)
- "Return on Patent Investment: How Outdoor Companies Can Turn Existing IP Into Revenue," Utah Outdoor Recreation Summit (September 7, 2023)
- "Guideposts for Defining Particular Problems in Analogous Art," *Patent Lawyer Magazine* (July/August 2023)