
WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Debra J. STANEK
Croke Fairchild Morgan Law and Beres LLC
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United States of America



Nationality: American

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

J.D., (Honors), University of Chicago, Chicago, 1986;
B.A., Communication, (*magna cum laude*), Loyola University of Chicago, Chicago, 1980.

LANGUAGES

English

PRESENT POSITION

Senior Counsel, Croke Fairchild Morgan & Beres LLC.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Assistant General Counsel, Wilton Brands LLC, 2019-2019;
Principal, Law Offices of Debra J. Stanek, LLC, 2017-2018;
Counsel, Sidley Austin, LLP, April 2000-December 2016;
Partner, Sidley & Austin, June 1995-April 2000;
Associate, Sidley & Austin, October 1988-June 1995;
Adjunct Professor, DePaul University College of Law Chicago, Illinois, 1995;

January 16, 2020

Instructor, Columbia College Chicago, Illinois, 1991;

Staff Attorney, United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Chicago, Illinois September 1986 - September 1988.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual property: trademark, domain names, copyright, marketing, and advertising.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member of the Bar:

Illinois;

United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois;

United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit;

Federal Trial Bar.

Member:

American Bar Association;

Chicago Bar Association.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Extensive experience with trademark and copyright infringement and false advertising disputes, including resolution through mediation, arbitration, and litigation. Extensive experience with intellectual property transactions, including negotiating and drafting trademark, information technology, sponsorship, copyright, and advertising agreements.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Advising and counseling on adoption and use of domain names and enforcement of trademark rights with respect to third party uses of domain names. Represented complainants in domain name disputes brought under the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy. Represented plaintiff in suit brought under Anticybersquatting Consumer Protection Act.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Participated in numerous patent, trademark, and copyright infringement and false advertising litigation matters, including trials and requests for preliminary injunctions or other emergency relief.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Represented parties who participated in voluntary mediations under the voluntary mediation program of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois for cases under the U.S. trademark law, the Lanham Act.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION

WIPO Workshop on Domain Name Dispute Resolution (World Intellectual Property Organization Arbitration and Mediation Center);

WIPO Workshop for Arbitrators (World Intellectual Property Organization Arbitration and Mediation Center);
Illinois Court-Annexed Mandatory Arbitration Training (Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois).

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Represented complainants in domain name disputes brought under the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy.

Acted as arbitrator for Illinois Court-Annexed Mandatory Arbitration Program.

Represented parties in numerous advertising disputes heard by the National Advertising Division of the Council of Better Business Bureaus in a hybrid arbitration proceeding.

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE

SUMMARY TABLE

Type	Administering Institution		Role			
	Name	Number of Arbitrations	Presiding Arbitrator	Sole Arbitrator	Co-arbitrator	Counsel
International Arbitrations	AAA					
	ICC					
	LCIA					
	Other	1				1
Number of cases: sub-total		1				1
Domestic Arbitrations	AAA					
	Ad Hoc					
	Court-sponsored	9			9	
	National Advertising Divison	7				7
Number of cases: sub-total		16			9	
TOTAL		17			9	8

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

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Type	Administering Institution		Role	
	Name	Number of Mediations	Mediator	Counsel
International Mediations				
	Ad hoc			
Number of cases: sub-total				
Domestic Mediations (Estimates)	AAA			
	U.S. District Court, N.D. Ill.	3		3
	Court-annexed			
	Ad Hoc			
Number of cases: sub-total				3
TOTAL		3		3