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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Nationality: American

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LL.M., Trade Regulation, New York University School of Law, New York, 1994;
J.D., *summa cum laude*, Cleveland State University, Ohio, 1993;
B.S., Mechanical Engineering, The Ohio State University, Ohio, 1988.

LANGUAGES

English

PRESENT POSITION

Attorney at Law, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP (formerly known as Squire Sanders (US) LLP);
Adjunct Professor, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University, Patent Law and
Practice, since 2000.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Chair, Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP, Intellectual Property Practice Group, Cleveland;
Partner, Fay, Sharpe, Fagan, Minnich & McKee LLP, Cleveland, 1996-01;
Associate, Jones , Day, Reavis & Pogue, Cleveland, 1994-96.

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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Litigation of patent, copyright, trademark, domain name, and trade secret disputes.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member:

- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio;
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit;
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit;
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office;
- Cleveland Bar Association;
- Cleveland Intellectual Property Law Association;
- American Bar Association;
- American Intellectual Property Law Association.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Counsels clients in the Internet technology arena. Advises both national and international businesses regarding the issues of e-commerce including licensing, Web site security issues, including legal disclaimers and liability issues, e-commerce agreements, click-through agreements, domain name disputes, and anti-cybersquatting issues.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

ADR Panelist - U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio;
 Represented domain name holder in UDRP proceeding against cybersquatter;
 Counseled clients regarding selection, use and transfer of domain names.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Author, "Staying Patent Validity Litigation Pending Reexamination: When Should Courts Endeavor To Do So?" *Cleveland State Law Review* Vol. 41, No. 2 (1993) 315-343;
 Author, "Gray Market Goods Produced by Foreign Affiliates of the U.S. Trademark Owner: Should the Lanham Act Provide a Remedy?" *Akron Law Review* Vol. 28, No. 3 (Spring 1995) 437-461.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Represented out-of-state involuntary plaintiff/patent owner in patent infringement action brought by licensee. U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed dismissal of action based on determination that involuntary plaintiff/patent owner deemed indispensable party over which district court lacked jurisdiction;
 Represented supplier of garage door operators in patent infringement action pending before the U.S. International Trade Commission;
 Represented senior party in patent interference relating to web inspection system; Junior party conceded interference during trial phase;
 Represented defendant in patent infringement suit relating to golf clubs; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed dismissal of case on summary judgment;
 Represented defendant in copyright infringement suit brought by software company; case settled after U.S. district court denied plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction;
 Represented plaintiff in trademark infringement action that settled after presentation of plaintiff's case at trial;
 Represented senior party in interference proceeding relating to image-guided spinal surgery; junior party conceded interference after formal exchange of proofs;
 Represented defendant in patent infringement action relating to caulk containers; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed dismissal on summary judgment;

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Represented defendant in suit for copyright and trademark infringement relating to soft sculpture; U.S. District Court dismissed all claims against client on summary judgment and awarded attorneys' fees.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION

Attended seminars and read variety of publications on subject of mediating intellectual property disputes.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Represented clients in court-sponsored mediations regarding intellectual property disputes.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION

Attended seminars and read variety of publications on subject of arbitrating intellectual property disputes.
