



Curriculum Vitae - Joseph R. Meaney

Professional Summary

Joe is a registered patent lawyer and a licensed professional engineer in Arizona. Joe represents clients in all aspects of intellectual property, including patent, trademark, trade secret and copyright law. His practice includes patent and trademark prosecution before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, litigation of intellectual property disputes in both federal and state court, and the preparation of various documents, including licensing agreements and assignments. Joe is admitted in both the state and federal courts of Arizona.

Prior to attending law school, Joe was a structural engineer for more than four years with a mid-size engineering firm in Massachusetts and New York.

Areas of Practice

- 80% Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights
- 15% Other IP related issues (trade secrets, licensing)

Litigation Percentage

- 40% of Practice Devoted to Litigation

Bar Admissions

- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 1999
- State Bar of Arizona, 1996
- U.S. Court of Appeals 9th Circuit, 2009
- U.S. Court of Appeals Federal Circuit, 2010

Representative Cases

- Patent Reexamination: Obtained reversal of Examiner's initial decision rejecting all claims; 13 out of 20 claims confirmed patentable.
- Copyright/DMCA Appeal to Ninth Circuit: Persuaded 9th Circuit to reverse lower court's decision and remand back to District Court.
- Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB): Won "no likelihood of confusion" after trial and Board decision.
- Patent Litigation: Represented plaintiff in the Eastern District of Texas against Fortune 500 company; achieved successful settlement.

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- Summary Judgment: Obtained summary judgment on merits for plaintiff on breach of contract issue.
- Copyright Infringement: Argued for copyright infringement of architectural designs before the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals

Representative Patents

- Electronic apparatus for hose attachment to enhance visibility, communication, atmospheric monitoring
- Three-part plant nutrient system
- Device for carrying an apparatus for discharging a fire extinguishing agent and method therefor
- security alarm system device and component for securing outdoor appliances
- Electronic circuit tester and method of use
- Moisture barrier wall
- Programmable panel schedule
- Polyacrylamide delivery device
- Wastewater treatment system
- Method of incorporating sound wave into audio composition
- Improved pop-up tent structure
- System for cooling residential structures

Speaking Engagements

- College of Estate Planning Attorneys, *Top Ten Questions Every Estate Planning Attorney Should Ask Innovating Clients*, 2015
- AZ Association for Corporate Counsel, 2014
- Intellectual Property & Transactions M&A Roundtable, 2012
- Introduction to Copyright, Trademark and Other IP Law, CLE conference 2011

Education

- **Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Tempe, Arizona**
 - J.D. (Cum Laude) – 1996
 - American Jurisprudence Award – Torts
 - American Jurisprudence Award – Criminal Law
- **Tufts University, Medford, Massachusetts**
 - B.S. Civil Engineering (Cum Laude) – 1989

Published Works

- Frye to Daubert: Is a Pattern Unfolding?, *Jurimetrics*, 35:191, 1995
- Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus: A Closer Look, *Jurimetrics*, 36:383, 1996

Professional Associations and Memberships

- Patent Attorney, United States Patent and Trademark Office 1999 – present
- Professional Engineer, Board of Technical Registration (AZ) 1996 – present

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