

PRACTICE AREAS

- Intellectual Property
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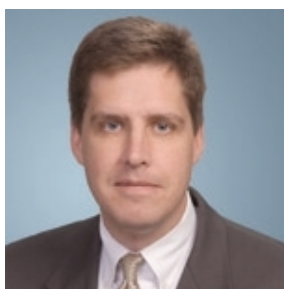
EDUCATION

- B.S., University of Virginia, 1987
- M.E., Old Dominion University, 1994
- J.D., Duke University, 1999

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- North Carolina, 1999
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 2000
- Federal Circuit, U.S. Court of Appeals, 2001
- Eastern District of North Carolina, 2006

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Registered Patent attorney Matt Witsil has been an MVA Intellectual Property team member since 1999, focusing his practice on patent prosecution, patent litigation, opinions, corporate intellectual property transactions and technology licensing. He also advises clients on copyright and trademark issues.

Mr. Witsil brings extensive technical training and experience to his intellectual property clients. A licensed professional engineer in Virginia, he served nine years as a project engineer for a Top 100 civil engineering consulting firm primarily involved with water resources facility design.

His patent prosecution work has concentrated on the mechanical arts and business methods, including:

- Acoustics
- Cellular phones
- Computer chip mounts
- Door and lock hardware
- Fiber optic hydrophones
- Helicopter actuators and mounts
- Medical devices
- Nonwoven materials
- Steel production
- Steel framing fabrication
- System for remotely providing interactive CAD file generation of mechanical parts
- Thermodynamic heat spreaders
- Wealth transfer tax-management

He also has prepared non-infringement and invalidity patent opinions for utility and design patents. His copyright advice has ranged from explaining the basic rights of the copyright owner to evaluating reverse engineering rights to interpreting the Digital Millennium Copyright Act.

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Further, Mr. Witsil provides substantive intellectual property support to MVA's litigation team in matters at both the Federal District Court level and at the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, included defense of alleged patent infringement, assertion of patent infringement, defense of alleged copyright infringement and interference proceeding appellate practice.

OF NOTE

- Former Executive Editor of the law review *Law & Contemporary Problems*, Duke University School of Law
- President, Board of Directors, Chapel Hill–Carrboro YMCA

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- North Carolina Bar Association
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Triangle Intellectual Property Law Association