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Expertise

Intellectual Property

Technology

Business and Corporate Commercial

Education

- Queen's University, LLB, 1994
- University of Waterloo (Computer Engineering) BA. Sc. (Hons) 1990

Bar Admission

- Ontario, 1996

Executive Summary

Bob has extensive experience in assisting clients with developing, managing and monetizing their intellectual property assets, including matters relating to patentable technologies, trade secrets and brands for clients in the e-commerce, financial services, cyber technologies, computer software, communications, biotech, automotive, manufacturing, oil and gas industries. He has deep expertise working with clients to identify notable commercial features in their products and then to develop appropriate strategies to protect and commercialize those features. Prior to his legal career, he worked for a major international computer company, a medical device company and an international stereo equipment company.

Representative Work

Bob provides advice in developing, exploiting and managing world-wide patent portfolios for a renown secure communications service provider and a major Canadian communication device manufacturer. He assists in developing and managing world-wide trademark portfolios for a major Canadian lumber supplier and an international charity related to a chronic disease.

Articles and Presentations

Bob has been a panel member on several presentations relating to protecting inventions through patents, the state of business method patents in the world and IP strategies for new product and service deployments.

Bob has been a lecturer on IP commercialization strategies at the University of Toronto's GP LLM program and a tutor for patent drafting sessions at the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC) at the IPIC/McGill summer patent courses.

Articles

- Social Media vs. Privacy and Personality Rights - 2/28/2020
- Intellectual Property Issues For Your New Launch - 11/11/2016

Recognition

- Best Lawyers in Canada 2025-2027 for Technology Law, Intellectual Property Law (2026-2027)

Professional Involvement

- Intellectual Property Institute of Canada
- Canadian Bar Association

Pro Bono

- Participant – Pro Bono Law Ontario