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Experience

Focus Areas

IP Audits & Legal Opinions
IP Due Diligence
IP Portfolio Management & Counseling
Patents & Innovations
Trademarks

Stuart (Stu) Shapley is a principal attorney practicing in the technology/intellectual property law group. With fifteen years' experience in patent prosecution and litigation, Stu provides legal solutions across a broad spectrum of legal issues, technologies and client sizes, ranging from Fortune 100 companies to seed-round startups.

In addition to his legal practice, Stu works as a mentor with several Austin area accelerators to help early-stage companies protect their core intellectual property and obtain seed and angel round funding.

Stu is a graduate of Harvard University, earning an A.B. in Physics *cum laude*, and is a fluent German speaker.

Representative Matters

- Lead associate representing electronics manufacturer in multi-party patent litigation in the Eastern District of Texas in a patent dispute concerning Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) technology;
- Core member of team defending pharmaceutical manufacturer in multi-party patent litigation, participated in drafting *Markman* brief that led to favorable claim construction and partial summary judgment at trial, as well as Federal Circuit appeal brief;
- Drafting and prosecuting patent applications for computer hardware and software, medical devices and mechanical systems;
- Prepared invalidity opinions and freedom to operate studies involving a variety of technologies, including laptop computers, casino equipment, and automotive engines.

Credentials

Education

University of Virginia School of Law

Charlottesville, VA 2003

Juris Doctorate

Harvard University

Boston, MA 1999

Cum Laude

Physics

Associations and Memberships

Registered U.S. Patent Attorney

Austin Intellectual Property Association

The Honorable Lee Yeakel Intellectual Property Inn of Court

Admissions

Texas, 2009

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office