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Chris Renk is a Senior Principal Shareholder at Banner & Witcoff, Ltd., a national intellectual property law firm. Chris focuses his practice on litigating patent, trademark, copyright, trade secret, false advertising and unfair competition cases.

Since joining the firm in 1988, he has successfully represented both plaintiffs and defendants as lead and co-counsel in jury trials, bench trials and appeals involving intellectual property rights. His cases have involved diverse subjects such as computer software, electrical controls, internet content delivery, medical and surgical devices, heat transfer, distilled spirits, contact lenses, fuel injection systems, athletic footwear, golf clubs and textiles processing. Chris utilizes a value-added approach in his litigation practice and believes that litigation goals should always be defined by each client's business objectives.

Chris was selected for inclusion in the 2010 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*®. In each year from 2006 to 2010, Chris was included in *Illinois Super Lawyers*, and was also selected to their Top 100 list in 2005, 2009, and 2010. Since 2004, Chris has yearly been selected by his peers through a statewide survey conducted by the Leading Lawyers Network to be among the top lawyers in Illinois in Intellectual Property Law.

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