Banner & Witcoff welcomes new attorneys Christopher Galfano, Saranya Raghavan and Jake Webb

Banner & Witcoff welcomes associates Christopher Galfano, Saranya Raghavan and Jake Webb to its Chicago office.

Mr. Galfano focuses his practice on patent and trademark litigation matters and patent prosecution, primarily in the biological and chemical sciences, and mechanical arts. Prior to joining Banner & Witcoff, he served in the United States Marine Corps as an F/A-18D Weapon Systems Officer and Forward Air Controller. He is a graduate of the United States Navy Fighter Weapons School, TOP GUN, and he flew combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan with the United States Air Force in the F-15E Strike Eagle.

He earned his J.D., cum laude, from the Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he was an associate editor of the Chicago-Kent Journal of Intellectual Property. While in law school, he served as a judicial extern for the Honorable William V. Gallo of the United States District Court for the Southern District of California. He earned a B.S. in biology from the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Ms. Raghavan focuses her practice on patent prosecution and litigation, trademark and trade dress matters, and counseling matters. Her experience includes the preparation and prosecution of patents in the electrical and computer arts. She has worked on matters involving computer software, Internet-based applications, mobile applications, graphical user interfaces, financial products and services, and business methods. Additionally, she has worked on several litigation matters involving patents, trademarks, and trade dress rights.

Prior to joining Banner & Witcoff, she worked as a software engineer for Orbitz Worldwide, where she designed and developed web applications for the online travel industry.

She earned her J.D. from the Chicago-Kent College of Law, M.S. in electrical and computer engineering from Purdue University; and B.S. in electrical and computer engineering, magna cum laude, from Florida Institute of Technology.

Mr. Webb works in a variety of intellectual property areas, including litigation and patent prosecution, and counseling in the mechanical and computer arts. He has been involved with matters related to computer software, industrial equipment, athletic equipment, business methods, and trademark disputes.

He earned his J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law, where he was associate editor for the Journal of Technology and Intellectual Property. He earned his M.B.A. and B.S. in civil engineering, cum laude, from the University of Kentucky.

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