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## **B&W** attorneys author *Patent Trial Advocacy Casebook*

March 1, 2006 - Banner & Witcoff attorneys Joseph Potenza, Mark Banner & Chris Renk authored a 'first of its kind' *Patent Trial Advocacy Casebook* in conjunction with the American Bar Association and the National Institute for Trial Advocacy.

As trials become less common today, the need for teaching and enhancing trial skills increases. The course materials developed for the Casebook are the result of Joe, Mark and Chris' ten years of teaching an advanced course in trial practice geared specifically to a patent infringement trial.

The materials had their genesis in a project for the American Bar Association and National Institute for Trial Advocacy as a program for practicing lawyers and they were refined by firm attorneys specifically for undergraduate students at Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C.

Joe, Mark and Chris have now taught the course to more than a hundred undergraduate law students in small, NITA-style classes. Every aspect of the materials provided in the Casebook is focused on improving students' proficiency in one event: the trial of a patent case.

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