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As a past president of Banner Witcoff and a current member of the firm's Board of Directors, Chuck understands the business needs of his clients. He focuses his practice on patent prosecution and counseling matters, offering clients valuable insight as a former patent examiner with more than 20 years of legal experience.

Chuck — who was recognized on Crain's Chicago Business' 2019 Notable Gen X Leaders in Law list — represents clients ranging in size from start-ups to multinational companies on a variety of patent matters primarily in the electrical, computer and business method arts. He helps clients strategically create and manage their patent portfolios, and prepares product clearance, infringement and validity opinions. He has prosecuted patent applications globally, and counsels clients on a variety of international intellectual property issues.

Leveraging his experience as a former patent examiner, Chuck navigates clients through all phases of prosecution of patent applications before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. He's prepared and prosecuted patent applications in many different technologies, including those related to electronic circuits, computer hardware, digital rights, operating systems, Internet and e-commerce, cellular telephones, telephone and computer networks, medical devices, satellite communications, video conferencing, set-top boxes, securities trading systems, and a variety of business methods.

Among his other professional accomplishments, Chuck recently served on a Banner Witcoff team that scored a major victory for a telecommunications company. The team filed dozens of inter partes review petitions in the highly-publicized matter, leading the Patent Trial and Appeal Board to invalidate multiple patents in the company's favor. Chuck served as president of Banner Witcoff from 2011-13 and 2016-18, during which time he led the firm through a significant period of growth and strategic planning involving diversity and rebranding initiatives.

Education

B.S. 1994, Southern Illinois University
J.D. 1999, George Mason University

Admissions

Bar Admissions
1999, Virginia
2002, Illinois

Court Admissions
Supreme Court of Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Practices

Counseling, Opinions + Licensing
Litigation
PTAB Litigation

Industries

Electrical + Computer Technologies
Internet, E-Commerce + Business Methods

News + Events + Related Publications

[NEWS - 05.31.19](#)

Banner Witcoff's Charles Miller and Binal Patel Named Crain's 2019 Notable Gen X Leaders in Law

[NEWS - 08.01.17](#)

Banner & Witcoff recognized by MIP for filing most IPR petitions in first half of 2017

[PRESS - 01.24.17](#)

Banner & Witcoff Elects President and Seven Shareholders

[NEWS - 01.13.14](#)

Twenty-five Banner & Witcoff attorneys named 2014 Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

[NEWS - 11.27.13](#)

Twenty Banner & Witcoff attorneys named to 2013 Super Lawyers Business Edition

[NEWS - 01.28.13](#)

Twenty-two Banner & Witcoff Attorneys are Named Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

[NEWS - 02.06.12](#)

Charles L. Miller discusses the state of midsize IP firms in a Chicago Lawyer magazine article

[NEWS - 10.17.11](#)

Charles L. Miller discusses the demand for patent lawyers in a Crain's Chicago Business article

[PRESS - 01.31.11](#)

Banner & Witcoff Elects President and Shareholders; Announces New Associates

[NEWS - 07.12.10](#)

Webinar: Patentable Subject Matter After Bilski

[NEWS - 06.29.10](#)

Charles L. Miller comments on Bilski v. Kappos

[PRESS - 01.19.09](#)

Banner & Witcoff attorneys named Illinois Super Lawyers and Rising Stars

[NEWS - 12.02.08](#)

Charles L. Miller and Shawn P. Gorman write a guest column on business method patents

[NEWS - 04.22.08](#)

Charles L. Miller Comments on KSR's Effect on Patent Prosecution in IP Law360

[PRESS - 01.23.08](#)

Banner & Witcoff is pleased to Announce the Election of New Shareholders

[NEWS - 08.01.06](#)

Charles Miller discusses new Friendster patent in a CNET article.