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Paul brings a unique combination of experience as former in-house counsel to a clinical-stage pharmaceutical company and a former patent examiner, in addition to more than twenty years of experience in private practice. He concentrates on counseling in intellectual property matters including risk assessment, domestic and foreign patent preparation and prosecution, and post-grant proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Over his career, Paul has worked with clients ranging from startups to Fortune 100 companies, principally in the life sciences, chemical and consumer products industries.

Education

Clarkson University
1992, B.S., Chemical Engineering

The Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law
1998, J.D., *Cum Laude*

Admissions**Bar Admissions**

1998, Virginia
1999, District of Columbia
2021, Florida

Court Admissions

District of Columbia Court of Appeals
Supreme Court of the United States
Supreme Court of Virginia
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Practices

Counseling, Opinions + Licensing

Patent Interferences
PTAB Litigation
Patent Prosecution

Industries

Chemistry + Chemical Engineering
Life Sciences + Pharmaceuticals

Affiliations/Memberships

The Federalist Society
Tampa Bay Catholic Lawyers Guild