



Banner Witcoff sponsors the Mark T. Banner Award Luncheon during the 34th Annual Intellectual Property Law Conference in Arlington, Va.

The American Bar Association Intellectual Property Law Section presents the 2019 award to this honoree:

- Robert A. Armitage, consultant on intellectual property strategy and policy matters and member of the board of directors for the American Intellectual Property Law Education Foundation.

#### About the Award:

This award, established in honor of the late Mark T. Banner, is presented to an individual or individuals who have made an impact on intellectual property law and/or practice. Winners of this award have expressed a clear passion and enthusiasm for, and advanced the practice, profession and/or substance of IP law through extraordinary contributions to, among, other things, teaching, scholarship, innovation, legislation, advocacy, bar or other association activities, or the judiciary.

#### About Mark Banner:

Mark Banner, who served as Chair of the ABA-IPL Section from 2002 to 2003, sought, demanded, and attained the very best from himself and from everyone around him. The latter characteristic made him and those around him seek excellence in all they did: advocacy, work, relationships, intellectual property matters, and work for the ABA-IPL Section. The IP community and the entire legal profession considered Mark not only one of the best IP trial lawyers in the United States, but also one of the country's best trial lawyers, period. Mark's work transcended narrow principles of IP decisional law and wove in the fabric of general law to reflect the reality of his legal positions in a way that not only was easy to understand, but also was reasonable and cogent. His gift, in addition to his trial experience, was to truly teach, varying the performance to conform to a student's style. He often referred to his teaching as a "labor of love."

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