Banner & Witcoff Adds Five Lateral Associates

Banner & Witcoff, Ltd., a national intellectual property law firm that procures, enforces and litigates intellectual property rights throughout the world, welcomes five lateral associates.

Luke S. Curran, Chicago, focuses his practice on trademark clearance and prosecution in the U.S. and abroad, trademark enforcement, opposition and cancellation proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board, anti-counterfeiting, IP licensing, copyright, privacy, and domain name and Internet related issues. He also enjoys counseling on legal and strategic issues, learning each client's business, and acting as an extension of their companies.

Prior to Banner & Witcoff, he worked at an international intellectual property portfolio management company.

He earned his B.A. in electronic media and business, cum laude, from the University of Cincinnati, and his J.D. with a certificate in intellectual property law for trademarks and copyrights from The John Marshall Law School.

Zachary Getzelman, Chicago, focuses his practice on all areas of intellectual property, with an emphasis on patent and trademark litigation, and the prosecution and enforcement of utility patents. He has experience prosecuting and litigating utility patent applications in a variety of industries and technological areas including the power tool, software, computer networking, consumer electronics, semiconductor, and medical device industries. He also has experience in representing plaintiffs and defendants in many phases of federal litigation including pre-trial investigation, discovery, and motion practice.

Prior to law school, he worked as a project engineer for a global semiconductor manufacturer in the Research & Development group.

He earned his B.S. in electrical engineering from the University of Utah, and his J.D. from Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law, where he was a member of the Northwestern

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Bennett Ingvoldstad, Washington, D.C., focuses his practice primarily on patent prosecution and strategic counseling in a wide variety of technical fields within the computer and electrical arts, including television systems, video encoding, mobile phones, user interfaces, machine learning, search systems, and electrical components.

Prior to joining Banner & Witcoff, he gained experience as intellectual property counsel for a late-stage startup in Silicon Valley. As a former primary examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, he examined patent applications related to television and video systems. He also interned at the Office of the Solicitor, where he drafted briefs and mooted oral arguments for Federal Circuit cases handled by U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Solicitors.

He earned his B.S. in electrical engineering from Illinois Institute of Technology, and his J.D. from Georgetown University.

Jared W. Radkiewicz, Chicago, focuses his practice on the preparation and prosecution of patent applications and in post-grant proceedings before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. He has a range of industry and legal experience with software, electronics, and image and data compression technologies.

Before joining Banner & Witcoff, he practiced at an IP specialty firm in Washington, D.C., where he represented a range of clients from startups to the largest Internet companies in both patent preparation and prosecution and post-grant proceedings. He also served as a patent examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, where he examined patent applications in the image analysis arts. Prior to law school, he worked as a software engineer.

He earned his B.S. in electrical engineering and a certificate in technology commercialization from the University of Illinois, and his J.D. and a certificate in intellectual property law from Chicago-Kent College of Law.

Eric A. Zelepugas, Chicago, focuses his practice on the preparation and procurement of patents in numerous technology fields including software systems, computing device architecture, electronics, semiconductors, process control systems, computer networks, automotive control systems, Internet of Things (IoT) devices, signal processing, and media distribution and consumption systems. He has represented various clients from individual inventors to Fortune 500 companies and also strives to apply his prosecution expertise in intellectual property litigation.

Prior to Banner & Witcoff, he practiced as an associate at a Chicagoland intellectual property boutique firm, where he drafted and prosecuted applications for global corporations.

He earned his B.S. in electrical engineering from the University of Illinois, and his J.D. and a certificate in intellectual property from The John Marshall Law School.

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