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Scott is primarily involved in counseling and litigating complex intellectual property matters. He represents and advises industry-leading companies on intellectual property matters in such technologies as cellular communication systems, base station antenna systems, merchandise display systems, wireless networks, computer communications and networks, Internet and e-commerce, food and beverage technologies, DNA mutation detection systems, railway components, automotive equipment, firearms and athletic footwear.

Scott has successfully represented clients in hundreds of intellectual property matters at the trial court and appellate levels. He offers his clients valuable insight concerning the local trial practice in Chicago and the judges in the Northern District of Illinois.

Scott also spends a significant amount of time advising and representing clients with respect to complex intellectual property related matters, including inter partes patent reviews, trade dress, product configurations, trademarks, copyrights, IP-related transactions, licensing and patent portfolio development. Scott works with companies in developing strong intellectual property programs and uses creative strategies for achieving the companies' business objectives.

Scott has been named to the Super Lawyers magazine’s list of top Illinois lawyers in the field of Intellectual Property Litigation, and has been named as one of America’s Top 100 High Stakes Litigators. Most recently, he was featured as a "Leading Lawyer" in intellectual property law, Law Bulletin Media, in 2026.

Scott balances out his practice by serving as an adjunct professor at the Northwestern Law School teaching courses in intellectual property litigation. He has authored numerous articles on intellectual property law and has lectured on various intellectual property issues.

Scott earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Wisconsin and a Juris Doctor degree from The University of Illinois Chicago School of Law (formally The John Marshall Law School) where he was an editor of The John Marshall Law Review. Prior to joining Banner Witcoff, he held engineering positions in the aerospace field and power transmission industry.

Education

University of Wisconsin
1992, B.S., Mechanical Engineering

University of Illinois Chicago School of Law
1997, J.D.

Admissions

Bar Admissions

1997, Illinois

1999, District of Columbia

2026, Texas

Court Admissions

District of Columbia Court of Appeals

Superior Court of the District of Columbia
Supreme Court of Illinois
Supreme Court of Texas
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit
U.S. District Court for the Central District of Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Practices

Appellate Litigation
Jury Trials
Litigation
PTAB Litigation
Patent Prosecution
Trade Secrets
Trademarks

Industries

Defense Space

Mechanical Engineering

Affiliations/Memberships

American Bar Association
American Intellectual Property Law Association
Chicago Bar Association
Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago
Intellectual Property Owners Association
Illinois State Bar Association
Phi Delta Phi Honor Society

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EVENT - 04.21.26

Banner Witcoff Attends 2026 INTA Annual Meeting

NEWS - 06.27.25

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NEWS - 04.14.25

PTAB Highlights | Takeaways from Recent Decisions in Post-Issuance Proceedings

NEWS - 01.13.25

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