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Practice Areas

Intellectual Property
Patent Prosecution

Paul N. Taylor's expertise extends to preparation and prosecution of domestic and foreign patent applications related to a variety of technological areas, including medical devices, hydrocarbon exploration equipment and methods, consumer electronics, automotive safety devices, exercise equipment, software, optics, embedded devices, and clean-room technologies. He has experience in obtaining copyright and trademark registrations and preparing intellectual property-related employment agreements. He has also assisted clients in defending against patent infringement suits and has provided opinions including patentability and patent infringement opinions.

Mr. Taylor maintains an AV Preeminent (4.8) rating with Martindale-Hubbell, which is the highest rating awarded to attorneys for professional competence and ethics. He has also been selected for inclusion in Mountain States Super Lawyers (2021-2022) and as a "Rising Star" (2011-2017) and has been voted by his peers throughout the state as one of Utah's "Legal Elite," as published in Utah Business Magazine.

EDUCATION

University of Utah; S.J. Quinney College of Law, J.D., 2005

- Leary Scholar (Top 20% of class), 2002-2003
- President; Student Intellectual Property Law Association (SIPLA), 2003-2004
- Founding Member of Student Intellectual Property Law Association (SIPLA)

University of Utah, B.S., Mechanical Engineering, May 2002

- President; American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), 2001-2002; U of U student chapter
- Member of Pi Tau Sigma Honors Society
- Dean's List; College of Engineering

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PRIOR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Equity Shareholder; Workman Nydegger, Salt Lake City, 2007-2017 Prepare and prosecute foreign and domestic patent applications in a variety of areas; draft and prosecute patent applications for medical devices, clean-room technologies, hydrocarbon exploration, automotive safety devices, exercise equipment, software, optics, embedded devices, consumer electronics, and other technologies; experience in other intellectual property areas including obtaining copyright and trademark registrations and preparing intellectual property related employment agreements; assist clients in defending against patent infringement suits and provide opinions including patentability and patent infringement opinions.
- Associate; Madson & Austin, P.C.; Salt Lake City, 2004-2007 Draft numerous patent applications; prosecute applications including drafting office action responses and appeal briefs; participate in examiner telephonic interviews and respond to other prosecution matters; prepare and prosecute trademark applications; prepare copyright applications; prepare various patent litigation matters including drafting several complaints, summary judgment motions, partial claim constructions, and other litigation matters.

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- Utah State Bar, 2005
- United States Patent & Trademark Office, 2005

AFFILIATIONS / MEMBERSHIPS

- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
- Utah State Bar IP Section Chair, 2015-2016
- Utah State Bar IP Section Vice Chair, 2014-2015
- Utah State Bar IP Section Secretary, 2013-2014
- United States Bar / European Patent Office Liaison Council Chair, 2018-2020
- United States Bar / European Patent Office Liaison Council Secretary, 2016-2018
- United States Bar / European Patent Office Liaison Council member, 2013-present
- Utah State Bar CLE Planning Committee Member, 2010-present

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- Utah State Bar Inn of Court, Programming Committee Chair, 2018-present
- Utah State Bar Inn of Court, Master 2015-present

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC ACTIVITY

- Full time missionary in Frankfurt, Germany; The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1996-1998
- Fluent in German
- Ute Conference Football Assistant Coach, 2009-present
- Foster Parent of six foster children, 2014-present

PUBLICATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

- A Small Company Approach for Predicting Freedom to Operate, KC Regional Medical Device Summit: From Research to Patients, University of Kansas Medical Center, 2014
- Intellectual Property Overview, University of Utah Undergrad Design Seminar, 2010-2015
- Intellectual Property Overview, University of Utah BioEngineering Undergrad Seminar, 2011-2018
- Intellectual Property Overview, University of Utah BioEngineering Graduate Seminar, 2011-2017
- Patent Assignment Pitfalls, Bay Area In-House Medical Technology Association, 2012

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