



## Alan Norman

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### PRACTICES

- Patent Law
- Trademark Law

### EDUCATION

- University of Florida, J.D., 1985
- University of Central Florida, B.S., Mechanical Engineering, cum laude, 1982, Member of Tau Beta Pi and Pi Tau Sigma Engineering

### ADMISSIONS

- Florida
- Missouri
- US Ct Appeals, 8th Circuit (Covers AR, IA, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD)
- US Ct Appeals, Federal Circuit
- US Patent and Trademark Office

### AFFILIATIONS

- Florida and Missouri Bar Member
- Member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Member of the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Past Chair - Patent, Trademark, Copyright Section

### EMPLOYMENT

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2001-Present Associate, 1995-2001

Alan represents clients in all aspects of intellectual property litigation, with a strong emphasis on patent litigation at both the trial and appellate court levels, and strategic planning of patent infringement suits.

Although in recent years his practice has concentrated in patent litigation, Alan possesses a wealth of experience in patent application preparation and prosecution, covering a wide variety of mechanical/electromechanical technologies. He has acquired a reputation for developing creative patent application strategies to enhance the business opportunities of clients. His practice also includes post grant proceedings before the USPTO and the preparation of validity and infringement/right-to-use opinions.

### Publications

- Co-Author, "A Competent Exculpatory Opinion of Counsel: A Silver Bullet to the Heart of a Willful Infringement Charge"; *St. Louis Bar Journal*, Fall 2000
- Author, "You Can't Patent That! Can You?"; *Saint Louis Lawyer*, May 5, 2004

### Recognitions

- Listed in "Chambers USA" for Intellectual Property in Missouri, 2023 (by Chambers & Partners)
- Selected for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in America® (Copyright 2010 by Woodward/White, Inc., of Aiken, S.C.)
  - Named Lawyer of the Year for Litigation - Intellectual Property in St. Louis by Best Lawyers®, 2019
  - 2010-2024
- Listed in Missouri and Kansas "Super Lawyers", 2013-2022