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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW



## OVERVIEW

We have a singular focus - *Intellectual Property*. Every practitioner in our firm is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (the "USPTO"), with one or more degrees in engineering. We represent domestic and foreign clients in every type of intellectual property matter, including patents, trademarks, service marks, trade secrets, copyrights, unfair competition, false advertising, computer law, Internet law, technology licensing, technology transfer and related litigation. Combined, we have over 100 years experience practicing before the USPTO.

Our Firm represents a variety of clients from start-ups to multinational high technology Fortune 100 companies. Our approach is to work with the client as a team to maximize the value of their intellectual property. We assist our clients with our experience in prosecution, licensing, litigation, counseling, providing educational seminars, and opinion work. We are often engaged by general practice firms to provide intellectual property expertise for their corporate and litigation matters or to serve as expert witnesses.

We have applied our client team focus to intellectual property in technical and non-technical industries, including aeronautics, biomedical products, chemical products and processing, computer software, distribution, entertainment, financial products, machinery, manufacturing, nanotechnology, nuclear processing, retailing, robotics, semiconductor electronics, telecommunications, and wireless communications. The following list provides a more detailed description of the types of technologies we have experience with:

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## EXTENSIVE TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCE

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|    | <p><b>Electronics.</b> Electronic control circuits, electrical connectors, radio, TV and microwave circuitry, antenna design, microprocessors, analog and digital control systems, fiber optics and associated interfaces, electrical power generators, optical devices, electronic power circuits, lamps, compact disc technology, displays, VCRs, microwave ovens, and heating systems for cook tops.</p>   |
|    | <p><b>Chemistry.</b> Chemical systems including bio-chemical diagnostic tests, inorganic chemical compositions, non-destructive testing methods and equipment, and metallurgical compositions.</p>  |
|    | <p><b>Biomedical.</b> Biomaterials, orthopedic, urological, cardiovascular, ophthalmologic and a variety of other medical devices, catheters, defibrillators, ultra-sound systems, NMRs, and imaging systems.</p>   |
|   | <p><b>Internet.</b> Computer hardware, software and firmware, Internet-based business systems and financial transaction systems, Internet searching systems and methods, multimedia and video image processing, microprocessors, digital streaming audio and video over the Internet.</p>   |
|  | <p><b>Healthcare.</b> Diagnostics, transdermal and time-released drug delivery systems, pharmaceuticals, radiology, orthopedic, orthodontics, sports-related medicine, and related veterinarian science.</p>  |
|  | <p><b>Semiconductor.</b> Architecture, flip-chip, operation, and manufacturing of DRAM, SRAM, EPROM, and Flash EPROM memory devices, multi-core processors, and controllers, digital signal processors, encryption engines, smart cards, and discrete components and related nanotechnology.</p>  |
|  | <p><b>Computers.</b> Computer programs, object oriented systems, computer hardware, software and firmware, virtualization, storage systems, operating systems, memory management systems, device power management systems, networks, storage area networks, artificial intelligence, speech recognition, telephony, web hosting, security, user interfaces, printing, multimedia and video image processing, and digital streaming audio and video over the Internet.</p> |
|  | <p><b>Mechanical.</b> Clothing, games, bicycles, reactor control systems, jet aircraft engines, automobile ignition systems and fuel injection systems, jet engine turbine rotor design, large steam turbine rotor design, pneumatic and hydraulic control systems, injection molding, pumps, tools, robotics, and valves.</p>  |
|  | <p><b>Telecommunications.</b> Communication protocols, spread spectrum communication, cellular phone systems, integrated wireless local area networks and wide area networks, ad hoc and mesh networks, voice over IP, instant messaging, mobile communications, telecommunications systems, radios, telephone switching systems, and satellite communication.</p>  |
|  | <p><b>Business Methods.</b> E-commerce, insurance, banking, supply chain management, EDI, logistics, and on-demand services inventory management.</p>   |



## OUR ATTORNEYS

**Marty Fleit** (Retired) is internationally known in intellectual property law. He has lectured throughout the world on prosecuting and enforcing patents and trademarks. He was a member of the advisory board of the Patent, Trademark and Copyright Journal of the Bureau of National Affairs. Marty was previously a founding partner of the Washington, D.C. law firm, Fleit Jacobson Cohn and Price, which was rated among the top 10 U.S. patent law firms in filing and prosecuting domestic patents. Marty studied at Tufts University, earned a B.S. Degree in Chemical Engineering at the University of New Hampshire, and a J.D. at Georgetown University where he was a member of the Law Review. Marty has engaged in litigation before numerous U.S. District and Circuit Courts and is admitted before the U.S. Supreme Court.

**Jon Gibbons** is a licensed professional electrical engineer and a certified C software developer experienced in intellectual property prosecution, transactions and related litigation, and business and strategy development. Jon worked at IBM as a Technology Licensing Program Manager and a Robotics Engineer in New York. Jon earned his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Rutgers University, and did graduate studies in business at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He earned an M.S. in Electrical Engineering from Syracuse University, and earned his law degree from the University of Miami while attending the Franklin Pierce Law Center Intellectual Property Summer Institute.

**Jose Gutman** is experienced in patents, trademarks, business strategy matters, technology licensing, and internet-based transactions. Jose was a Licensing Program Manager and a Senior Staff Engineer at Motorola for designing hardware and software systems and products for wireless communication and telecommunication technologies. Jose is an inventor on seventeen U.S. patents and on a number of international patents. Jose was a President of the Patent Law



### **Our Attorneys (Continued)**

**Association of South Florida. Jose earned his J.D. Cum Laude, at the University of Miami School of Law, an M.S. Degree in Electrical Engineering at Georgia Institute of Technology, and a B.S. in Computer Science and Mathematics and a B.S. in Marketing and Business Administration at Florida State University.**

**Steve Bongini** practices extensively in the electrical and computer arts, including the fields of computer architecture, microprocessors, memory design and fabrication, and consumer electronics. He came to South Florida after practicing in Los Angeles at Pillsbury, Madison & Sutro, and Loeb & Loeb. Earlier, Steve was an extern for the Honorable Judge Reinhardt, United States Court of Appeal, Ninth Circuit in Los Angeles, California. Steve earned his J.D. at UCLA School of Law, after completing graduate studies in electrical and computer engineering at the University of Miami, where he taught electronic circuit design. He earned a B.S., Summa Cum Laude, in Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Miami.

**Paul Bianco** practices patent and trademark prosecution, licensing, transactional and opinion work, and client counseling. With regard to patents, his work is primarily in the areas of materials, mechanical, and biomedical technologies. Prior to joining the Firm, Paul worked in the Washington D.C. office of Pennie & Edmonds L.L.P. Paul graduated Cum Laude from the University of Pennsylvania with a B.S. in Bioengineering. He also earned his M.S.E. and his Ph.D. in Bioengineering from the University of Pennsylvania. After finishing his Ph.D., he completed a fellowship at the Center for Devices and Radiological Health at the Food and Drug Administration in Washington, D.C. Paul received his J.D., Cum Laude, from the Georgetown University Law Center.



## Our Attorneys (Continued)

**Donna Flores** is an intellectual property attorney practicing primarily in the area of patent prosecution for software, electrical, mechanical and semiconductor patents. Ms. Flores has an exceptionally strong technical experience. Prior to attending law school, Ms. Flores worked over thirteen years as an engineer in the design, development, and manufacture of low cost, low power, and high volume wireless communications products. She possesses invaluable exposure to the engineering and business aspects of technology industry. As a design engineer for Motorola and 3COM, Ms. Flores developed hardware for variety of telecommunication devices and home networking (client/server) applications. She has worked with network security issues, numerous telecommunication standards and a variety of media encoding schemes. Additionally, Ms. Flores was a key member of the founding design team and head RF engineer for a start-up company developing a digital voice pager operating over FM-subcarrier channels and has served as in-house patent counsel for a number of telecommunications companies. Donna received her BSEE from the University of Tennessee, and her J.D., Magna Cum Laude, from Nova Southeastern University Law School.

**Jeff Giunta** has practiced in many areas of patent, trademark, and copyright law. Jeff's patent prosecution work focuses on communications systems and data processing systems including both hardware and software elements. Jeff's experience includes securing patent rights for systems that incorporate complex algorithms to realize benefits in a wide variety of fields including data encryption, error correction and image processing in addition to electrical utility power distribution and storage systems. Jeff is a registered professional electrical engineer and has worked in the areas of radar technology and satellite, terrestrial and mobile digital radio communications, including DSP and embedded software development, and design and development of digital circuit and automated test fixtures. He has



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served as patent counsel for Catalina Marketing Corporation. He has been a staff engineer in both systems engineering and software engineering for the U.S. Department of Defense, GTE Government Systems Corporation and Trimble Navigation. Jeff earned his B.S. in Electrical Engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and his J.D., Cum Laude, at the University Of Miami School of Law.

**Thomas Grzesik** concentrates his practice on patent prosecution and trademark law. Tom represents and counsels a diverse group of clients ranging from Fortune 500 companies to individual inventors. Since becoming a member of the Illinois Bar in 2004 and the Florida Bar in 2005, Tom has prosecuted and managed a large portfolio of patent applications in numerous technical fields including wireless communication systems, wireless communication devices, satellite systems, electrical circuits, electrical components, electronic displays, semiconductors, computer hardware and software, computer networking, 3-D imaging, mechanical devices, eye wear, water softener systems, and many more. Tom holds a B.S. in Computer Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology and a J.D. from Chicago-Kent College of Law.

**Gary Winer** has extensive experience in software programming, and in assembler as well as object oriented languages. He practiced intellectual property law with Dennison Manufacturing, preparing and prosecuting cases in the mechanical arts, as well as in the field of biological diagnostics, for its subsidiary Biological Technology Corporation. In addition, he worked at Alza Pharmaceuticals as patent attorney, preparing and prosecuting cases predominantly in the fields of transdermal and timed release drug delivery systems. Gary later worked in corporate administration for Alza, after which he assumed responsibility for Legal and



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Administration for Omnitech Gencorp, a midsize computer sales and repair organization. He has a B.S. Degree in Life Science Engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute, and is a graduate, Cum Laude, of New England School of Law. Gary is a member of the Bar in Massachusetts and Florida.

**Katharine Davis** has drafted and prosecuted both utility and design patent applications in a variety of fields, including proteomics, biomarkers, antibody technologies, medical devices, pharmaceuticals, transgenic animals, and stem cells. She is a registered patent agent involved with patent work since 1998. Prior to her work as a patent agent, Ms. Davis gained valuable experience as a legal assistant and patent examiner (Technology Center 1600, Art Unit 1636, gene expression) with the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Ms. Davis earned a B.S., cum laude, from Marywood University, with a double major in Biology and English Literature and a minor in Chemistry. She also graduated with a Masters of Biomedical Science from Medical University of South Carolina, with a concentration in Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

**Lourdes Perez** focuses her practice on counseling clients in patent and trademark matters. With respect to patents, she prosecutes patents in the chemical and mechanical fields. Additionally, Lourdes has had extensive experience in design patent application preparation and prosecution. Her trademark experience includes advising clients in developing a branding strategy and opposition and cancellation proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. Ms. Perez received her B.S. in Chemistry from Florida International University and her J.D., cum laude, from Thomas M. Cooley Law School. While in law school, Ms. Perez received Dean's List recognition and Academic Honors every semester and participated in the Law Our Review program as a Senior Associate Editor. She was also a member of the Student Intellectual Property Law Association and Hispanic Law Society.