

# PROF. CHRISTA LASER

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## EXPERIENCE

### **Cleveland State University College of Law**

Cleveland, OH

*Associate Professor of Law*

2020 to present

- Director of Intellectual Property Program; Intellectual Property Certificate director
- Organizer of IP+ Conference (2021-present)
- Co-chair of IP Advisory Council
- Courses: Copyright, Patent, & Trademark; Innovation Law; Property; Legislation & Regulation
- Coach of patent moot court

### **WilmerHale**

Washington, DC

*Senior Associate, Intellectual Property Litigation*

2018 to 2020

Patent, trademark, and copyright litigation and other intellectual property matters, including ANDA litigation on small molecule drugs and litigation on biosimilars under the BPCIA, FRAND litigation concerning video compression, microprocessor litigation, and medical device patent litigation

#### Representative Patent Matters

- *Nokia Technologies Oy v. Lenovo (Shanghai) Electronics Technology Co, Ltd., et al.* (E.D.N.C.; ITC): Counsel for Lenovo in defense of infringement action regarding patents that Nokia asserted to be standard essential patents
- *Sebelia Ireland Limited v. Princeton Pharmaceuticals, Inc. et al.* (Fed. Cir.): Counsel for Sebelia in Federal Circuit appeal of patent infringement case regarding drug for treatment of menopause symptoms
- *Vectura Limited v. GlaxoSmithKline LLC et al.* (Fed. Cir.): Counsel for GSK in Federal Circuit appeal of patent infringement case regarding dry powder inhaler drug delivery formulations
- *Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation v. Apple Inc.* (Supreme Court): Counsel for Apple in opposition to petition for writ of certiorari in patent infringement matter concerning predictions used for out-of-order execution in microprocessors
- *Globalfoundries U.S. Inc. v. Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Ltd. et al.* (W.D. Tex.): Counsel for TSMC in defense of patent infringement action concerning manufacturing and design of semiconductors
- *Rex Medical, L.P. v. Covidien LP* (D. Del.): Counsel for Covidien in defense of patent infringement action regarding patents on surgical staplers
- *1A Smart Start, LLC et al. v. Consumer Safety Technology* (D. Del.): Counsel for CST in defense of patent, trade secret, and breach of contract action related to calibration of ignition interlock devices
- *Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. v. Aurobindo Pharma Ltd., et al.* (D. Del.): Counsel for Bristol-Myers in patent infringement action regarding ANDA for proposed generic of Eliquis
- *AbbVie Inc. v. Boehringer Ingelheim International GMBH* (D. Del.): Counsel for AbbVie in patent infringement action under the BPCIA regarding proposed biosimilar of Humira
- *VLSI Technology LLC v. Intel Corp.* (N.D. Cal.; D. Del.; Fed. Cir.): Counsel for Intel in defense of patent infringement actions regarding microprocessor features and manufacturing methods

#### Other Representative Matters

- *Morris v. Wise et al.* (N.D. Ohio): Counsel for media personality and news anchor in suit asserting violations of his right of publicity, privacy, copyrights, and trademarks
- Pro bono counsel to deserving individuals and charitable organizations, including successful oral argument before the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in *Sophie G. v. Wilson County Schools* regarding disability rights of an autistic child

## **George Mason University, Antonin Scalia Law School**

Washington, DC

*Thomas Edison Innovation Fellowship*

2019 to 2020

Scholarship & seminars designed to expand ability of fellows to shape intellectual property policy

## **Kirkland & Ellis LLP**

Washington, DC

*Intellectual Property Litigation Attorney*

2011 to 2018

Patent litigation, false advertising, and other intellectual property experience, including patent cases before federal courts and the International Trade Commission and advertising consumer class action defense, competitive challenges in federal court, and proceedings before the National Advertising Division of the Council of Better Business Bureaus (NAD), the National Advertising Review Board (NARB), and the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). Technologies ranged from Li-Ion batteries to smartphone code to DNA-based medical diagnostic tools. In my pro bono work in 2017, I briefed, argued, and won an appeal before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit in an asset forfeiture.

### Representative Patent Matters

- *Milwaukee Electric Tool Corp. et al. v. Chervon North America, Inc.* (E.D. Wis.): Counsel for Chervon in a patent infringement action involving lithium ion battery technology in handheld power tools
- *Enzo Life Sciences v. Abbott Laboratories, Inc.* (D. Del.): Counsel for Abbott in patent infringement action in federal district court in Delaware regarding DNA probe technology
- *Certain Formatted Magnetic Data Storage Tapes and Cartridges Containing the Same*, ITC Inv. No. 337-TA-931: Counsel for IBM in patent infringement action in the International Trade Commission regarding magnetic tapes
- *Certain Wireless Telecommunications Equipment and Articles Therein*, ITC Inv. No. 337-TA-866: Counsel for Samsung in patent infringement action in the International Trade Commission regarding wireless equipment
- Counsel for consumer products company in intellectual property negotiation with licensor
- Counsel for significant consumer electronics and software company against HTC in enforcement proceeding before the International Trade Commission regarding smartphone technologies
- *Infineon Technologies AG v. Atmel Corp.* (D. Del.): Counsel for Infineon in patent infringement action in federal district court in Delaware regarding semiconductor technology

### Other Representative Matters, Including Advertising and Trademark Litigation

- Counsel to major technology companies on legislative and regulatory changes to intellectual property laws and agency rules, including updating major company's global strategic intellectual property plan
- *Dean v. Colgate-Palmolive Co.* (C.D. Cal.; N.D. Cal.; S.D.N.Y.; FTC): Counsel for Colgate in putative class actions and Federal Trade Commission investigation regarding advertising claims on Colgate whitening toothpaste
- *In re: Dial Complete Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation* (D.N.H.): Counsel for Dial in multidistrict class action regarding advertising claims on Dial Complete products
- *Turnbull v. Carfax* (E.D. Va.; 4th Cir.): Counsel for Carfax in putative class action regarding vehicle history services in federal court in Virginia and on appeal to the Fourth Circuit
- *Cablevision Systems Corp. v. Verizon Communications, Inc.* (E.D.N.Y.): Counsel for Verizon in competitive false advertising action in federal district court in New York regarding wireless Internet, including cross-requests for preliminary injunctions
- *Otto v. Abbott Laboratories, Inc.* (C.D. Cal.; 9th Cir.): Counsel for Abbott Laboratories in false advertising class action in federal district court in California regarding Ensure products and in multiple appeals to the Ninth Circuit

- *Cablevision Systems Corp. v. Verizon Communications, Inc.* (E.D.N.Y.): Defended Verizon against competitor's request for temporary restraining order against Verizon's advertising in federal district court in New York regarding Internet speeds
- Counsel in over a dozen proceedings before the National Advertising Division of the Council of Better Business Bureaus (NAD) and the National Advertising Review Board (NARB), for clients including Abbott Laboratories, Verizon, and The Honest Company
- Counsel in Federal Trade Commission (FTC) proceedings
- *Kroger Co. v. Lidl* (E.D. Va.): Counsel for Lidl in trademark dispute under the Lanham Act concerning private label grocery products, including opposition to preliminary injunction
- *Electronic Arts, Inc. v. Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. and Textron Innovations, Inc.* (N.D. Cal.): Counsel for Bell Helicopter in trademark, trade dress and unfair competition action in federal district court in California related to helicopters in the game Battlefield 3
- Pro bono counsel to deserving individuals and charitable organizations, including *United States v. \$17,900* (D.D.C.; D.C. Cir.): counsel to couple challenging forfeiture of savings

### **The Internet Law & Policy Foundry**

Washington, DC

*Inaugural Fellow*

Summer 2015 to Summer 2017

Attended seminars designed to expand the ability of fellows to shape internet and technology law

### **U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit**

Washington, DC

*Judicial Intern to Chief Judge Randall R. Rader*

Spring 2011

Prepared legal research and draft opinions on, *inter alia*, patent law, attended oral arguments, and participated in group discussions of potential decisions, typically working four days per week

### **U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland**

Greenbelt, MD

*Judicial Intern to Judge Roger W. Titus*

Fall 2010

Provided legal research and draft opinions on diverse topics and attended trials and hearings, working three to four days per week

### **Professor Lawrence Cunningham, George Washington University Law School**

Washington, DC

*Legal Research Assistant*

Summer 2009 to Fall 2010

Assisted with researching and editing an article comparing traditional versus economic theories of tort law, an article on application of the doctrine of contractual unconscionability to executive compensation, a textbook on accounting for lawyers, and a book about popular contract cases, among other projects

### **The BioDesign Institute at Arizona State University**

Tempe, AZ

*Researcher, Department of BioOptical Nanotechnology*

Fall 2005 to Fall 2008

Mutagenesis of photosynthetic reaction centers and analysis by laser spectroscopy; Most Above and Beyond Award; organized and taught program for high school teachers to teach biochem lab courses to their students

## EDUCATION

**The George Washington University Law School**, Washington, DC

2011

Juris Doctor, *with honors*

- World Champion, Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition
- Research Assistant, Professor Lawrence Cunningham, Contracts & Business Law
- Notes Editor, American Intellectual Property Law Association Quarterly Journal

**Arizona State University, Barrett Honors College**, Tempe, AZ

2008

Bachelor of Science, *magna cum laude*, Biochemistry, German Minor

- Beckman Scholar (1 of 23 grants nation-wide for scientific research)
- Biochemistry Award (senior with most significant research contributions)
- President's Scholar
- National Merit Scholar
- Published in *Science* journal as an undergraduate

## PUBLICATIONS

### **Scholarly Law Review Articles**

*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Cryptocurrency, and Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs)*, 102 NEB. L. REV. 761 (2024), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=4591858>

- Made several SSRN top ten lists of the most downloaded recent papers in its field, including in Intellectual Property; Corporate Law Interdisciplinary Approaches; Securities Law; Corporate Governance & Law; Law & Culture
- Featured on *Ipse Dixit* podcast, <https://shows.acast.com/ipse-dixit/episodes/christa-laser-of-the-law-of-the-blockchain>

*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Appellate Jurisdiction*, 71 CLEV. ST. L. REV. 19 (2022), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=4313817>

- Made several SSRN top ten lists of the most downloaded recent papers in its field, including in Patents; Law of Technology, Innovation, & Media; Intellectual Property; and Entrepreneurship & Law
- Featured in Federal Circuit Blog and PatentlyO
- Presented at George Washington University Law School (Jan. 2023), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YW2sQcW7gTM&t=2m52s>

*Equitable Defenses in Patent Law*, 75 U. MIA. L. REV. 1 (2020), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3686120>

- Made several SSRN top ten lists of the most downloaded recent papers in its field, including in Patent; Intellectual Property; and Innovation & Patent Law & Policy;
- Cited in well-known patent blog, PatentlyO

*Certiorari in Patent Cases at the Supreme Court*, 48 AIPLA Q.J. 569 (2020), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3728706>

- Made several SSRN top ten lists of the most downloaded recent papers in its field, including in Patent; Intellectual Property: Empirical Studies; Federal Courts & Jurisdiction; Courts; Judges; and Innovation & Patent Law & Policy
- Cited in PatentlyO

*The Scope of IPR Estoppel: A Statutory, Historical, and Normative Analysis*, 70 FLA. L. REV. 1127 (2018), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3133096>

- Cited in brief to the Supreme Court on petition for certiorari in *Apple Inc. v. California Institute of Technology*, 22-203 (U.S.), and in PatentlyO

*Continuing the Conversation of “The Economic Irrationality of the Patent Misuse Doctrine,”* 11 CHI.-KENT J. INTELL. PROP. 104 (2012), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=2109700>

*A Definite Claim on Claim Indefiniteness: An Empirical Study of Definiteness Cases of the Past Decade with a Focus on the Federal Circuit and the Insolubly Ambiguous Standard*, 10 CHI.-KENT J. INTELL. PROP. 25 (2010), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=1664515>

- Cited by Judge Plager in *In re Packard*, 751 F.3d 1307 (Fed. Cir. 2014) (concurring)
- Cited by briefs to the Supreme Court in *Nautilus, Inc. v. Biosig Instruments, Inc.*
- Cited in JOHN M. GOLDEN ET AL., PRINCIPLES OF PATENT LAW: CASES AND MATERIALS (Foundation Press 2018) and other textbooks

## Works-in-Progress

*Intangible: How Intellectual Property Affects Our Lives from Drugs to Startups to Taylor Swift and Why Recipe Blogs Are So D\*\*n Long* (In-Progress Book)

*Scientific Educations Among U.S. Judges, forthcoming* \_\_ AM. U. L. REV. \_\_ (2025), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=4764194>

- Featured on PatentlyO blog
- Made several SSRN top ten lists of the most downloaded recent papers in its field, including in Law & Society: Courts; Law & Society: Public Law – Courts; Law & Society: The Legal Profession; Legal & Political Science Education; LSN: Judges (Public Law - Courts); LSN: Law & Technology; LSN: The Judiciary & Judicial Process
- Featured in Silicon Valley Investor Club podcast, <https://youtu.be/g5hjDN0uJyo?si=UGzH4gwIgBIHanAu&t=1512>

## Other Legal Publications

*Deepfakes, Takedowns, NO FAKES Act, ScarJo & OpenAI*, ChristaLaser.com Blog (May 22, 2024), <https://www.christalaser.com/blog/deepfakes-takedowns-no-fakes-act-scarjo-openai>

Comments to the Copyright Office on Generative Artificial Intelligence (2023)

*How A Century-Old Insight of Photography Can Inform Legal Questions of AI-Generated Artwork*, Technology & Marketing Law Blog (Aug. 2, 2023), <https://blog.ericgoldman.org/archives/2023/08/how-a-century-old-insight-of-photography-can-inform-legal-questions-of-ai-generated-artwork-guest-blog-post.htm>

*Guest Post - A New Proposal for Federal Circuit and Patent Jurisdiction*, Federal Circuit Blog (Jan. 11, 2023), <https://fedcircuitblog.com/2023/01/11/guest-post-a-new-proposal-for-federal-circuit-and-patent-jurisdiction/>

*Deepfakes, Privacy, and Freedom of Speech*, YourWitness Blog (June 18, 2021), <https://papers.ssrn.com/abstract=3869850>

Made several SSRN top ten lists of the most downloaded recent posts in its field, including in Innovation & Intellectual Property Law & Policy; Information Policy & Ethics; Law of Technology, Innovation, & Media; Innovation Law & Policy; and Innovation & Privacy Law & Policy.

*An Alternative Forum for False Advertising Challenges: the National Advertising Division*, LEXIS PRACTICE ADVISOR, January 2018

COPYRIGHT FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS (Flatbooks 2013)

Tefft Smith, Michael Fragoso, Christopher Jackson, Christa Laser & Gregory Wannier, *Selecting the Very Best: The Selection of High-Level Judges in the United States, Europe and Asia*, Due Process of Law Foundation, November 2013

*Toward A World Patent Judiciary*, IPTODAY, January 2011, at 8

### **Professor Briefs**

Counsel of Record, Brief of Patent Law Professors as Amici Curiae in Support of Petitioners in *Apple Inc. v. California Institute of Technology*, 22-203 (U.S.)

### **Scientific Publications in Peer-Reviewed Journals**

Haiyu Wang, Su Lin, Evaldas Katilius, Christa Laser, James P. Allen, JoAnn C. Williams & Neal W. Woodbury, *Unusual Temperature Dependence of Photosynthetic Electron Transfer Due to Protein Dynamics*, 113 THE JOURNAL OF PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY 818 (2009)

Haiyu Wang, Su Lin, James Allen, JoAnn Williams, Sean Blankert, Christa Laser & Neal Woodbury, *Protein Dynamics Control the Kinetics of Initial Electron Transfer in Photosynthesis*, 316 SCIENCE 747 (2007)

### **Other Publications**

GOALS: THE PHILOSOPHY AND SCIENCE OF ACHIEVING YOUR DREAMS (Flatbooks 2012; CreateSpace 2012)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Speeches, TV, Podcasts, Panels, and Recorded Media**

Additional videos and commentary are on my YouTube, <https://www.youtube.com/@ChristaLaser>

Panelist, Silicon Valley Investor's Club Podcast, *OpenAI's Transition To For-Profit, Google Vs Epic Games*, - *Lanyers React* (2024), [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Te\\_ZVdnZ9\\_0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Te_ZVdnZ9_0)

Featured Talk, Main Stage, Marketing Artificial Intelligence Conference, *Navigating the Intersection of Copyright Law and Generative AI: Perspectives from IP Attorneys* (2024)

Panelist, Silicon Valley Investor's Club Podcast, *Lanyers Thoughts On RealPage's price-fixing, Tech Antitrust lawsuits, & 3D Printing Patents* (2024), <https://www.youtube.com/live/rKmTsmPSF6I?si=Il4MKVIMqfdhCOuK&t=1815>

Featured Guest, 3D Musketeers Making Awesome, *Stratasys vs. Bambu Lab - Prior ART?!? With a PATENT LAWYER!! - Making Awesome 204* (2024), [http://youtu.be/vVPRDLn\\_njc](http://youtu.be/vVPRDLn_njc)

Featured Guest, Silicon Valley Investor's Club Podcast, *Lanyer on Scarlett Johansson's Dispute with OpenAI re Voice, Right of Publicity: SVIC Podcast* (2024), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WwFpJ46jf-s>

Featured Guest, Silicon Valley Investor's Club Podcast, *Updates on OpenAI Lawsuit, Elon Musk's Legal Drama, Research on US Judge's STEM Knowledge* (2024), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g5hjDN0uJyo>

Presenter, Cleveland Metropolitan Bar Association, *Artificial Intelligence and the Law: Human Authorship* (2024), <https://www.clemetrobar.org/?pg=semwebCatalog&panel=showSWOD&seminarid=21447>

Keynote, Marketing AI Institute, AI for Writers Summit, *Generative AI Insights from an IP Attorney: Understanding the Legal Landscape* (2024)

Presenter, Indianapolis Intellectual Property Inn of Court, *Legal Issues in Artificial Intelligence* (2024)

Panelist, Hofstra Law, *The Use of AI in the Legal Profession* (2024)

Featured Guest, Silicon Valley Investor's Club Podcast, *Elon Musk Sues OpenAI. Does Elon Have a Case? How Will AGI Be Defined In Court? Lanyer Reacts* (2024), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5kS2UGH2OjM>

Featured Guest, Silicon Valley Investor's Club Podcast, *OpenAI sued by New York Times - Copyright Lanyer and Google Engineering Director React* (2023), <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ea0SLSzSyyA>

Presenter, CS+Law, hosted by UCLA, *Legal Issues in Blockchain, Cryptocurrency, and NFTs* (2023)

Presenter, *Seat at the Sitting* podcast, regarding Vidal v. Elster Supreme Court case, <https://fedsoc.org/events/a-seat-at-the-sitting-november-2023>

Featured Guest, Ipse Dixit podcast by Prof. Brian Frye, *Legal Issues in Blockchain, Cryptocurrency, and NFTs* (2023), <https://shows.acast.com/ipse-dixit/episodes/christa-laser-of-the-law-of-the-blockchain>

Presenter, O'Malley Inn of Court, *Legal Issues & Professional Ethics in Generative AI* (2023).

Featured Guest, Ipse Dixit podcast by Prof. Brian Frye, *NFT Notes 22: Christa Laser on NFTs & Intellectual Property* (2022), <https://shows.acast.com/ipse-dixit/episodes/nft-notes-22-christa-laser-on-nfts-intellectual-property>

Presenter, Steel City Arts Foundation, *Intellectual Property for Artists* (2022)

Panelist, Twitter Spaces, *Legal Issues in Blockchain* (2022).

Featured Guest, Young and Profiting podcast (2022), *NFT Investing, Scams and Regulations*, <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/yaplive-nft-investing-scams-and-regulations-with/id1368888880?i=1000557671461>



WKYC Channel 3 News, *What is an NFT?* (2022), <https://www.wkyc.com/article/syndication/podcasts/3-things-to-know/what-is-an-nft-how-to-make-buy-sell-nfts-legal-issues-experts-explain-steve-kaczynski-christa-laser-3-things-to-know-stephanie-haney-podcast/95-e1a8947f-d3e4-45d0-a6da-d2a06fa303ef>

Featured Guest, The SEP Couch by IPlytics (2022), *SEP litigation and legal trends in the US patent system*, <https://www.iplytics.com/events/podcast/>

Cleveland 19 News, *Follow-up on Guardians Trademark Battle* (2021), <https://www.facebook.com/Cleveland19News/videos/287737199897516>;  
<https://www.cleveland19.com/2021/08/03/trademark-battle-over-cleveland-guardians-appears-be-ratcheting-up/>

News 5 Cleveland, *Cleveland Guardians roller derby team files lawsuit over Cleveland Indians name change* (2021), <https://www.news5cleveland.com/sports/cleveland-guardians/cleveland-guardians-roller-derby-team-files-lawsuit-over-cleveland-indians-name-change>

CMLaw Faculty Spotlight CLE, *Intellectual Property Law Issues in Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs)* (2021), [https://youtu.be/b9Wm2Y7q\\_18](https://youtu.be/b9Wm2Y7q_18)

Cleveland 19 News, *Guardians Trademark Battle* (2021), <https://www.facebook.com/Cleveland19News/videos/522194025712645>

Tools of Titans DC (2017), *Substantiating Your Advertising Claims*, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/toolsoftitansdc/posts/300724490409822/>

Panelist, This Week in Tech: Photo (2013), *Photosharing on the Web: Know Your Rights*, with Mike Linksvayer, Brian Rose, Catherine Hall, Trey Ratcliff, Zach Arias, and Nichole S. Young

Panelist, Trey's Variety Hour (2011), *The Great Watermark Debate*, with Trey Ratcliff, Miss Aniela, Thomas Hawk, Doug Kaye, Peter Giordano, and Gino Barasa

## **Scholarly Colloquia & Conference Presentations**

Presenter, AALS Annual Conference, Intellectual Property Section (2025)  
*The Legal Cure for Alzheimer's* (chapter of *Intangible* book project)

Presenter, The Federalist Society Annual Conference, Works-In-Progress (2025)  
*Scientific Educations Among U.S. Judges*

Co-Chair & Moderator, Cleveland State University College of Law IP+ Conference (2024)

Presenter, Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, Berkeley (2024)  
*Scientific Educations Among U.S. Judges*

Invited Presenter, Notre Dame Speaker Series (2024)  
*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Web3, and NFTs*

Presenter, Works in Progress Intellectual Property Conference, Santa Clara University (2024)  
*Scientific Educations Among U.S. Judges*



Organizer & Moderator, *Careers in Intellectual Property Law*, CSU College of Law (2024)

Presenter, Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, Cardozo (2023)

*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Web3, and NFTs*

Presenter, Junior Intellectual Property Scholars Association Roundtable, Fordham (2023)

*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Web3, and NFTs*

Presenter, Three Rivers Colloquium, University of Pittsburgh (2023)

*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Web3, and NFTs*

Invited Talk, George Washington University Law School IP Speaker Series (2023)

*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Appellate Jurisdiction*, <https://youtu.be/YW2sQcW7gTM&t=0m47s>

Co-Chair & Moderator, Cleveland State University College of Law IP+ Conference (2023)

Organizer & Moderator, *Careers in Intellectual Property Law*, CSU College of Law (2023)

Presenter, IDEA Symposium: IP in the Metaverse (2022)

*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Web3, and NFTs*

Invited Talk, University of Chicago Speaker Series (2022)

*Legal Issues in Blockchain, Web3, and NFTs*

Organizer & Moderator, *Careers in Intellectual Property Law*, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law (2022)

Co-Chair & Moderator, Cleveland State University College of Law IP+ Conference (2022)

Presenter, Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, Stanford (2022)

*Intangible* book project

Presenter, Junior Intellectual Property Scholars Conference, Berkeley (2022)

*Intangible* book project

Panelists, SEALS Conference, *NFTs and Collective Creation* (2022)

Presenter, Three Rivers Intellectual Property & Tech Law Colloquium (2022)

*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

Presenter, Northeast Ohio Faculty Conference (2022)

Book Project: *Intangible*

Co-Chair & Moderator, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law IP+ Conference (2021),

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rqk3L5ZEqcU>

Moderator, *Careers in Intellectual Property Law* at Tucker Ellis (2021), <https://youtu.be/4CN6F8lgv00>

Junior Intellectual Property Scholars Association Conference (2021)

*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

Co-Chair & Moderator, Innovation in the Pandemic panel, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law Health Law Conference (2020), <https://youtu.be/C750mLN4cnI>

Notre Dame Patent Colloquium (2020-2021) (invited presenter and commentator)  
*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

Seminar Presentation for Professor Irina Manta at Hofstra University (2021) (invited)  
*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

Seminar Presentation for Professor Paul Gugliuzza at Temple University (2021) (invited)  
*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Conference (2021)  
*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

New Voices in Intellectual Property, AALS Annual Meeting (2021) (invited presentation from competitive call for papers)  
*Rethinking Patent Law's Exclusive Jurisdiction*

Akron Law FReD Workshop (2020), University of Akron School of Law (invited)  
*Equitable Defenses in Patent Law*

Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Conference (2020), Santa Clara University School of Law,  
*Equitable Defenses in Patent Law*

Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Conference (2019), The University of Houston Law Center,  
*Certiorari in Patent Cases*

PatCon (2018), University of San Diego School of Law, *The Scope of IPR Estoppel*

Works-in-Progress Intellectual Property Conference (2018), Case Western Reserve School of Law,  
*The Scope of IPR Estoppel*

Kirkland & Ellis LLP Advertising Law Seminar (2016), *Substantiating Your Advertising Claims*

## **Print Media Interviews**

Quoted in Ben Weiss, *Sunk Cost: The rise and fall of NFTs made and unmade OpenSea*, THE VERGE (Aug. 28, 2024), <https://www.theverge.com/24161573/opensea-crypto-nfts-workplace-rise-fall>

Quoted in Daniel Kuhn, *What Happens if the SEC Classifies ETH a Security? (Wrong Answers Only)*, COINDESK (Mar. 21, 2024), <https://www.coindesk.com/consensus-magazine/2024/03/21/what-happens-if-the-sec-classifies-eth-a-security-wrong-answers-only/>

Cited in Andrew Karpan, *Justices Asked To Look Into Apple's Estoppel Challenge*, LAW360 (Oct. 11, 2022), <https://www.law360.com/articles/1538199/justices-asked-to-look-into-apple-s-estoppel-challenge>

Quoted in Matthew Bultman, *Suppliers Out in Patent License Talks After Appeals Ruling*, BLOOMBERG LAW (March 4, 2022), <https://news.bloomberglaw.com/us-law-week/suppliers-out-in-patent-license-talks-after-fifth-circuit-ruling>

## **SERVICE & PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Service at Cleveland State University**

#### ***Committee Service***

- Faculty Fund Committee, Fall 2023 to Present
- Generative AI Working Group, Fall 2023 to Present
- Juris Doctorate Online Group, Fall 2023 to Present
- Faculty Affairs Committee, Fall 2021 to Spring 2023
- Committee on Intellectual Diversity and Civil Discourse, 2020 to present
- Faculty Hiring Committee, Fall 2021 to Spring 2022
- Admissions Committee, Fall 2020 to 2022
- Law School Curriculum Committee, Fall 2020 to 2022

#### ***Academic Service***

- Director, Intellectual Property program at CSU College of Law, 2020 to present
- Co-Chair, Intellectual Property Advisory Council, 2020 to present
- Founder and Organizer, CSU College of Law IP+ Conference, annually 2021 to present
- Co-Chair, CSU College of Law Health Law Conference, 2021
- Faculty Mentor, Student Intellectual Property & Technology Association, 2020 to present
- Faculty Mentor, Student Parent Alliance student group, 2021 to present
- Faculty Advisor on student independent study projects: Reece Barnett (Spring 2025); Victoria Nowack (Spring 2025); Bri L King (Fall 2024); Isura Adedokun (Fall 2024); Casey Fisher (Fall 2023; Spring 2024); Alan Schiess (Spring 2024); Carter Chippi (Fall 2023); Andrew Zoeckler (Spring 2023); Anushkay Raza (Spring 2023); Megan Grantham (Spring 2022); Alyssa Romito (Spring 2022); David Linden (Fall 2021)
- Created and manage intellectual property certificate program, 2021 to present
- Faculty director, Intellectual Property Fellows program, 2022 to present
- Coach, Patent Trials and Appeals Board Moot Court Competition, 2024 to present

### **Professional Organizations**

- Katherine M. O'Malley Inn of Court, Chair of the Liaison Committee, Executive Committee Member, & Founding Master of the Bench (2021 to present)

### **Pro Bono & Community**

- Represented children with disabilities including argument at Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals
- Seminars on intellectual property for low-income artists with Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts, from 2014 to 2017
- Kirkland & Ellis LLP Pro Bono Service Award

### **Interests**

- Toastmasters International (2012 to present): President (2020 to 2021) and Vice President of Education (2018 to 2020) at Treasury Silver Speakers, a club that teaches public speaking
- Former competitive fencer, medalist at National Championships and North American Cup

## **COURT & BAR ADMISSIONS**

### **Bar Admissions**

- United States Patent & Trademark Office
- California
- District of Columbia (Inactive)

**Court Admissions**

- United States Supreme Court
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit
- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin

**EXPERT WITNESS WORK**

- *Kramer v. Dadant & Sons, Inc.* (N.D. Ohio): Expert for Dadant, a candle making company, on copyright law's substantial similarity test in lawsuit regarding candle molds
- *Hilber v. Malley's Candies, Inc.* (N.D. Ohio): Expert for photographer and graphic designer Hilber on copyright implied license and copyright damages in lawsuit regarding candy chocolates

**INDEPENDENT CONSULTING**

- Counsel in filings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Consultations for business owners on intellectual property strategy