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Nate Wilks has over a decade of experience representing clients in all aspects of intellectual property law. He is a registered patent attorney with extensive experience preparing and prosecuting patent applications domestically and managing procurement of patents worldwide. Nate also counsels clients with respect to intellectual property and technology-related disputes, infringement, validity, right-to-use, and patentability issues. He has represented clients in patent infringement litigation in the federal district and appellate courts as well as in Inter-Partes Review proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Nate assists clients with intellectual property matters related to a wide variety of technologies with an emphasis in the electrical arts, including electrical distribution and protection equipment; semiconductor devices; DRAM and flash memory; smart home devices; anti-counterfeiting measures; printers and copiers; electronic displays; audio and video signal processing; mobile phones; computer networking; telecommunications; digital rights management; medical imaging; respiratory therapy devices; safety equipment; nuclear reactor technologies; artificial intelligence and machine learning applications.

Prior to attending law school, Nate worked as an electrical engineer in the aerospace industry, where he developed antenna systems for unmanned aircraft.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Counsel for patent owners in multiple patent infringement cases against major memory device manufacturer relating to NAND Flash Memory and DRAM devices;
- Provided product clearance/right to use counseling and prepared and prosecuted numerous patent applications for a safety equipment manufacturer in connection with the release of multiple products;
- Prepared and prosecuted numerous patent applications for a global electrical component manufacturer, coordinated worldwide patent procurement, and performed freedom-to-operate, validity, and infringement opinion work; and
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J.D., University of Virginia School of Law, 2008

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NEWS AND INSIGHTS

PUBLICATIONS

- The Applicability of the Patent Marking Statute to Software Patents," Intellectual Property and Technology Law Journal, July 2009.