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About Conor

Conor Civins represents companies ranging from start-ups to Fortune 500 companies in patent, trade secret and trademark litigation, as well as disputes involving breach of contract, fraud and unfair competition. Over the past several years, he has litigated cases in the Western, Eastern, Northern and Southern Districts of Texas, as well as in various districts in California, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, New York and Oregon. Conor has also argued before the Federal Circuit and Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals.

Recent Notable Matters

***ESW Holdings, Inc.* —** currently representing ESW Holdings, Inc. in five-patent case against Roku, Inc. in the Western District of Texas, Waco Division

***Versata Software, Inc.* —** currently representing Versata Software, Inc. against Configit in case involving allegations of trade secret theft in the Western District of Texas, Waco Division

***Nautilus Inc.* —** represented Nautilus Inc. in a lawsuit accusing Icon Health & Fitness Inc. of breaching patent license and failing to pay royalties owed on a Chinese patent; won summary judgment on behalf of Nautilus against ICON in Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division, securing a $2 million judgment; US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit affirmed district court's decision after oral argument handing down a $2 million judgment against ICON*

***Healthcare client* —** represented client in healthcare industry seeking relief for antitrust violations, defamation, business disparagement and tortious interference with contract and prospective business relations*

***Cybex International Inc.* —** represented Cybex International Inc. against claims of misappropriation of trade secrets and unfair competition. Tried case to jury verdict

***Seton* —** defended Seton in three-patent case against allegations of patent infringement*

CA, Inc. **—** asserted three patents-in-suit on behalf of CA Inc. against competitor New Relic Inc.*

Hewlett-Packard Co. **—** represented Hewlett-Packard Co. in multi-district litigation against claims of patent infringement involving 23 asserted patents-in-suit allegedly covering IEEE 802.11 a/b/g technology

Versata Software Inc. **—** represented Versata Software Inc. against Callidus Software Inc. in litigation involving six asserted patents. The case included an interlocutory appeal that was argued at the Federal Circuit

Stripes LLC **—** represented publicly traded convenience store and food services company Stripes LLC in lawsuit against TGI Friday's alleging trademark infringement, unfair competition and claims relating to defendant's unauthorized use of "Stripes" trademark

CA, Inc. **—** represented CA Inc. against claims of patent infringement by Tranxition Inc. involving computer configuration migration technology. Case settled favorably

CA, Inc. **—** represented CA Inc. against claims of patent infringement by InNova. Case settled favorably

Cybex International Inc. **—** represented Cybex International Inc. against claims of patent infringement by SmartFit Solutions. Case settled favorably

Nautilus Inc. **—** represented Nautilus against claims of patent infringement by SmartFit Solutions. Case settled favorably

Freescale Semiconductor Inc. **—** represented Freescale Semiconductor in multi-patent suit against claims of patent infringement involving Ethernet technology

Cirrus Logic Inc. **—** represented Cirrus Logic Inc. in multi-patent suit against claims of patent infringement involving Ethernet technology. Case settled favorably

Versata Software Inc. **—** prosecuted two patents-in-suit on behalf of Versata Software Inc. against Callidus Software Inc. Case settled favorably

Inquisitive Minds and HTC Corporation **—** represented Inquisitive Minds and HTC in case involving claims that Fuhu infringed trademarks and engaged in unfair competition

Everbridge Inc. **—** represented Everbridge, a leading provider of emergency notification services, against claims of patent infringement by competitor Cooper Notification Inc. Argued and secured summary judgment of non-infringement for Everbridge

Lamebook — represented Lamebook, a Facebook parody website, seeking a declaratory judgment that Lamebook does not infringe Facebook's trademark and that Lamebook constitutes protected speech under the First Amendment. Case settled favorably

HP, Inc. — represented HP in patent declaratory judgment action involving IEEE 802.11a/g wireless LAN devices. Case settled favorably on eve of trial

* Work completed prior to Bracewell

Publications and Speeches

"What Is Reasonable and Non-discriminatory (RAND) Patent Licensing?" (three-part series), *Inside Counsel*, July–September 2014

Education

The University of Texas School of Law, J.D.
2003 – *with honors*

Emory University, B.A.
1999 – *Phi Beta Kappa*

Noteworthy

BL Rankings, *Best Lawyers*, Litigation – Patent, 2012 - 2024; Patent Law, 2022 - 2024; Trademark Law, 2012 - 2024; Commercial Litigation, 2013 - 2024; Litigation – Intellectual Property, 2013 - 2024; Trade Secrets Law, 2021 - 2024

Thomson Reuters, *Texas Super Lawyers*, Intellectual Property Litigation and Business Litigation, 2014 – 2023; Texas Rising Stars, Intellectual Property Litigation and Business Litigation, 2007 – 2009, 2011 – 2014

Affiliations

State Bar of Texas

Federal Bar Association

Bar Admissions

Texas