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Patrick Connolly focuses on patent litigation and adversarial intellectual property matters in federal district courts, before the International Trade Commission (ITC), and before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Additionally, Patrick regularly advises clients on matters related to patentability, validity, infringement, standard-essentiality, freedom-to-operate and patent landscape analyses, patent and technology licensing agreements and matters related to patent royalty audits. He also drafts and prosecutes patents involving mechanical, electro-mechanical, electrical, optical, software, and clean technology innovations.

Prior to law school, Patrick worked as a primary examiner at the USPTO in the optical and electro-mechanical arts with a focus on optical measuring and testing using interferometry.

Industries

[Technology](#)

Practices

[Intellectual Property Litigation](#)

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Experience

Toshiba America Electronic Components, Inc.

- secured voluntary dismissal with prejudice and without any payment after four-year litigation over patents related to self-encrypting solid state and hard disc drives

Toshiba America Business Solutions, Inc.

- successfully invalidated five US patents which had been asserted by Monument Peak Ventures, LLC ("MPV") against firm clients Toshiba Corp., Toshiba America Electronic Components, Inc., and Toshiba America

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Business Solutions, Inc. The technologies at issue related to facial recognition algorithms, digital marketing, and the capture and manipulation of digital images.

Toshiba Corporation

- patent infringement with audio processing hardware and software and products containing the same (ITC; audio processing and hardware)
- Andrea Electronics Corporation v. Toshiba Corporation et al. (patent infringement, E.D. NY; audio processing hardware and software)
- Azure Networks, LLC v. Toshiba America Information Systems, Inc. et al. (patent infringement, E.D. Texas; personal wireless networks)

Nordstrom, Inc.

- Execware LLC v. Nordstrom Inc. (patent infringement, D. Del.; database formatting technology)
- E2E Processing, Inc. v. Nordstrom, Inc. (patent infringement, E.D. Texas; XML-based database query and data management)

SSA Cooper

- Wireless Media Innovations, LLC v. SSA Cooper LLC (patent infringement, M.D. Florida; shipping terminal operating systems)

Toshiba Tec Corporation

- Toshiba Tec Corporation et al. v. Katun Corporation (patent infringement, C.D. Cal.; printer and toner cartridge technology)
- petition for Inter Partes Review by Katun Corporation (IPR petition response; printer cartridge technology)

Credentials

Education

- The University of Chicago Law School, J.D., 2013
- Swarthmore College, B.A., Physics, 2001, *with high honors*

Bar Admissions

- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Washington

Affiliations

- Washington State Intellectual Property Law Association

- Seattle Intellectual Property American Inn of Court
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- King County Bar Association
- Washington State Bar Association

Recognition

Delinian Limited

- *Managing Intellectual Property*, Rising Star (United States), 2022 – 2024

BL Rankings

- *Best Lawyers*, Ones to Watch, Intellectual Property Law, 2023 – 2025
- *Best Lawyers*, Ones to Watch, Litigation – Patent, 2023 – 2025

Thomson Reuters

- *Washington Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, 2019 – 2023