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Related Services

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With experience clerking in the Eastern District of Texas, Michael efficiently navigates intellectual property disputes while focusing on his clients' needs and objectives.

Michael Deane is a partner with Alston & Bird's Intellectual Property Litigation Group. His practice focuses on all aspects of patents and patent litigation in district courts, the ITC, the PTAB, and the Federal Circuit. Michael has represented clients on a range of diverse technologies, including telecommunications, antenna design, and fiber optics. Michael was previously a law clerk for the Hon. Rodney Gilstrap in the Eastern District of Texas.

Michael received his J.D. from the University of Texas at Austin. While in law school, he served on the editorial board of the *Texas Law Review* and was awarded the Outstanding Editor Award for his service.

He graduated with a B.S. from the Georgia Institute of Technology with highest honors.

Representative Experience

- Represented a multinational networking and telecommunications company in a patent litigation dispute at the International Trade Commission involving 5G antenna design. *Certain Cellular Base Station Communication Equipment, Components Thereof, and Products Containing the Same*, 337-TA-1302 (ITC).
- Represented Nokia of America Corporation in an inter partes review proceeding before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. No. IPR2021-00533 (PTAB).
- Represented intervenor Nokia of America Corporation in a patent litigation dispute related to Nokia's 3G, 4G and 5G base stations. *IPCOM Gmbh & Co. v. AT&T Inc., Sprint Spectrum L.P., & Cellco Partnership D/B/A as Verizon Wireless*, Nos. 2:20-cv-321, 322, 323 (E.D. Tex.).
- Represented Assurant subsidiaries in a patent litigation disputed relating to cell phone repair technology. *Viking Technologies, LLC v. Broadtech, LLC et al.*, 2:20-cv-00357 (E.D. Tex.).
- Represented Universal Electronics Inc. in a patent litigation dispute related to universal remote control technology. *Certain Electronic Devices including Streaming Players, Televisions, Set Top Boxes, Remote Controllers, and Components Thereof*, 337-TA-1200 (ITC).
- Represented defendants Verizon Communications Inc. and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless in a patent litigation dispute relating to wireless communications standards and technology. *Sol IP LLC v. Verizon Communications Inc., et al.*, No. 2:18-cv-00528 (E.D. Tex.).

- Represented the plaintiffs, a multinational consumer retail company and disposal system component manufacturer, in a patent litigation dispute relating to plastic injection molded products. (C.D. Cal.).
- Represented respondents Alcatel Submarine Networks and Nokia Corp. in a patent litigation dispute in the International Trade Commission related to fiber-optic telecommunications networks. *In the Matter of Certain Subsea Telecommunication Systems and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1098 (ITC).
- Represented defendant Alcatel-Lucent USA Inc. in a patent litigation dispute relating to fiber-optic telecommunications technology. *Oyster Optics LLC v. Alcatel-Lucent USA Inc.*, No. 2:16-cv-01297 (E.D. Tex.).
- Represented defendant Six Continents Hotels Inc. in a patent litigation dispute over mobile applications. *Valentine Communications LLC v. Six Continents Hotels Inc.*, No. 1:18-cv-01815 (N.D. Ga.).
- Represented petitioners Nokia Solutions and Networks US LLC and Nokia Solutions and Networks Oy in an inter partes review proceeding relating to wireless communications standards and technology. *Nokia Solutions and Networks US LLC, et al. v. Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd.*, No. IPR2017-00657 (PTAB).
- Represented plaintiffs Nokia Technologies Oy and Alcatel-Lucent USA Inc. in a patent litigation dispute relating to chipset and circuit design. *Nokia Technologies Oy and Alcatel-Lucent USA Inc. v. Apple Inc.*, No. 2:16-cv-01441 (E.D. Tex.).
- Represented intervenors Nokia Solutions and Networks US LLC and Nokia Solutions and Networks Oy in a patent dispute relating to wireless communications standards and technology. *Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd., et al. v. T-Mobile US Inc., et al.*, Nos. 2:16-cv-00052, -00055, -00056, -00057 (E.D. Tex.).
- Represented intervenors Nokia Solutions and Networks US LLC and Nokia Solutions and Networks Oy in a patent dispute relating to wireless communications standards and technology. *Nokia Solutions and Networks US LLC, et al. v. Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd., et al.*, Nos. 2:16-cv-00753, -00754, -00755, -00756 (E.D. Tex.).
- Represented plaintiff Navico Inc. and Navico Holdings AS in a patent litigation dispute related to sonar technology. *Navico Inc. and Navico Holding AS v. Garmin International Inc. and Garmin USA Inc.*, No. 2:16-cv-00190 (E.D. Tex.).

Publications & Presentations

Publications

- "Federal Circuit Weighs In: Updated Guidance on Post-'TC Heartland' Venue," *Corporate Counsel,* September 28, 2017.
- "Survey of Post-'TC Heartland' Venue: An Implicit Validation of 'Cray'?" *Corporate Counsel,* August 18, 2017.

Education

- University of Texas at Austin (J.D., 2014)
- Georgia Institute of Technology (B.S., 2011)

Admitted to Practice

- Georgia
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office