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Charles Saber has been in private practice for more than 30 years. Charles focuses his practice on all aspects of intellectual property law, with an emphasis on patent, trademark, and trade dress litigation. He also has extensive experience in complex civil litigation outside the intellectual property area, including antitrust, labor, and commercial disputes. These endeavors have involved both trial litigation, as well as appellate proceedings before courts of appeal throughout the country.

Intellectual Property Litigation

Over the past 25 years of his career, Charles has focused on intellectual property litigation and has participated in scores of intellectual property lawsuits at the trial and appellate levels. He has been lead counsel in several patent and trademark jury trials and has argued before Courts of Appeals on many occasions. These actions span the gamut of intellectual property practice, involving patents, trademarks, copyright, unfair competition, and trade secrets. These actions have been filed in both federal and state courts and involve industries as varied as machine tools, home electronic devices, computers, medical devices, digital jukeboxes, food products, and magazine publishing. With his background as a general civil litigator and his extensive background as an intellectual property litigator, he is uniquely qualified to transform complex technical information into clear and concise concepts easily understood by a judge and/or jury.

Working closely in conjunction with foreign counsel, Charles has been involved in foreign intellectual property litigations in Asia, Europe, and South America.

Trademark Prosecution and Counseling

He has also acted as lead counsel in over 20 opposition or cancellation proceedings in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, involving both defense of clients' trademarks and attacks upon the trademarks of others. Charles has been heavily involved in obtaining trademark protection for clients throughout the world, having obtained international trademark protection for clients on six continents.

He also has an active trademark counseling practice which involves both advising clients on the proper use of their trademarks, as well as devising programs to best exploit the value of their trademarks and related intellectual property rights.

Admissions

- District of Columbia

Memberships

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- International Trademark Association

Education

- University of Massachusetts, Amherst, BA
- Georgetown University Law Center, JD

Professional Activities

Charles is a member of American Intellectual Property Law Association ("AIPPLA") and chaired the AIPPLA subcommittee on drafting model trademark jury instructions. He is a member of the International Trademark Association, where he has served on the education committee and international education subcommittee and the Federal Relations Committee.