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Peter practices intellectual property law focusing on high-stakes patent litigation and post-grant proceedings. His work spans a variety of technologies, including medical devices, telecommunications, automotive technology, pharmaceuticals and nutraceuticals, medical diagnostics, and energy.

Peter has extensive experience representing clients before the US Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), including frequently delivering successful oral arguments before Board panels. In a recent significant matter before the PTAB, Peter helped a client successfully fend off 17 IPRs challenging a key patent portfolio. Peter also uses his IPR experience to provide clients with creative strategies for leveraging PTAB proceedings in US District Court litigation. Peter has argued patent matters before US District Courts and the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals.

In addition to post-grant proceedings and district court disputes, Peter helps clients with pre-acquisition due diligence, intellectual property licenses, and freedom to operate opinions. Recent examples include providing due diligence for a potential acquisition in the medical and diagnostics field, analyzing patent risks for a prospective new medical device, and helping negotiate licenses concerning CRISPR-Cas9 technology.

Before joining Carlson Caspers, Peter was a judicial extern for the Honorable Judge John Tunheim of the US District Court for the District of Minnesota.

Peter also works with the Children's Law Center of Minnesota to represent and advocate for children in Minnesota foster care. Peter has repeatedly been named a "Rising Star" in Minnesota Super Lawyers®.

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota Law School, JD, magna cum laude Managing/Research Editor, Minnesota Law Review University of Wisconsin, BS, Engineering Mechanics

BAR ADMISSIONS

Minnesota Supreme Court

US District Court for the District of Minnesota

REPRESENTATIVE CASES

AGA Medical Corp. v. W.L. Gore & Assoc. / W.L. Gore & Assoc. v. AGA Medical Corp. and St. Jude Medical Medtronic Inc. et al. v. Teleflex Life Sciences Ltd. (PTAB)

US Commodities Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)/U.S. Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) v. Trevor Cook et al.

Multiple Global Licensing Agreements for DuPont Pioneer and CRISPR-Cas9 Technology Section OSI Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Pfizer, Inc. and Genentech, Inc. v. Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., et al. (erlotinib) SEC v. Jason Bo-Alan Beckman et al.

Valensa and University of Illinois v. Cyanotech and Nutrex-Hawaii

EVENTS & PUBLICATIONS

Speaking Engagements, Webinars, and Presentations

"Post-Grant Practice 8 Years In: The Continuing Importance of Procedure," ACC-MN CLE, June 19, 2020, Virtual

"The USPTO Post-Grant Landscape: Practical Tips and Strategies to Avoid Pitfalls," The Knowledge Group Webcast, November 26, 2019.

Articles & Publications

ANDA Advisors Paragraph IV Litigation Blog, Carlson Caspers, contributor.

"When the Invention is an Inventor: Revitalizing Patentable Subject Matter to Exclude Unpredictable Processes," Peter M. Kohlhepp, Note, 93 *Minnesota Law Review 779* (2008).

"Gene Therapy Oversight: Lessons for Nanobiotechnology," Susan M. Wolf, Rishi Gupta, and Peter Kohlhepp, 37 *Journal of Law, Medicine & Ethics* 659 (2009).

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