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OVERVIEW

Erik Halverson is a PTO-registered patent lawyer with a background in engineering physics and materials science, and a member of the Post-Grant Review, IP Litigation, and IP Procurement and Portfolio Management practice groups. He concentrates his practice in patent litigation and post-grant practice at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB). Erik has experience arguing before the PTAB, as well as jury trial experience in federal district court.

As a PTO-registered lawyer, Erik has experience with post-grant proceedings at the PTAB. His involvement includes the preparation and prosecution of numerous inter partes review petitions, defense of challenged patents, preparation of expert declarations, defending and taking expert depositions, and all manner of motion practice before the PTAB. Additionally, Erik has experience arguing in-person and remote inter partes review trials before the PTAB. In all instances, Erik's involvement in post-grant proceedings has been coupled with overall trial strategy for co-pending district court litigation.

Erik is also experienced in all facets of patent litigation, including fact and expert discovery, motion practice, claim construction practice, and jury trial practice. Erik has been involved in cases in the Northern and Southern Districts of California, the District of Delaware, the Eastern and Western Districts of Texas, the Southern District of Mississippi, the Eastern District of Virginia, among other jurisdictions across the country. His jury trial experience includes the presentation of and cross-examination of technical witnesses and experts in federal district court.

Erik has experience handling standard patent prosecution matters as well as arguing prosecution appeal matters before the PTAB. Erik also handles patent licensing, due diligence, and counseling matters. His experiences include license negotiation and drafting; joint development agreements and independent contractor agreements; and international IP portfolio review.

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Erik was a Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI) Graduate Fellow with Catholic Charities Legal Aid in Chicago, where he provided legal assistance to underserved members of the Chicago community.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

National Director, AIPLA's Giles Rich Patent Moot Court Competition (held annually for law students)

Board of Directors, Illinois Rowing Association

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Real Parties in Interest Post-RPX, before the PTAB, Chicago Bar Association, 26 March 2019

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

Erik was previously a summer associate at the firm in 2014.

EDUCATION

- J.D., Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, 2015 Chicago-Kent Journal of Intellectual Property, Managing Editor
- B.S., University of Illinois, 2011 Engineering Physics

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of California
- Bar of Illinois
- Bar of New York
- United States Patent and Trademark Office
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States District Court for the Central District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of California
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
- United States District Court for the Northern District of California
- United States District Court for the Southern District of California

NEWS & EVENTS

2 January 2024, K&L Gates Names Nearly 30 Partners, Government Affairs Advisors Across Firm

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AREAS OF FOCUS

- Post-Grant Patents
- **IP** Litigation
- IP Procurement and Portfolio Management
- Technology Transactions and Sourcing