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OVERVIEW

Christopher Centurelli concentrates his practice on complex litigation, with particular focus on patent, copyright and trademark disputes. He has served as lead counsel in numerous cases involving technology companies, including those in the fields of electronic devices, robotics, and HVAC equipment. Other industries in which he has considerable trial experience include medical devices, agricultural products, e-commerce software and computer hardware products. Christopher has tried jury and bench trials, and argued claim constructions, dispositive motions and arbitration proceedings.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Member, Open Source Committee, Intellectual Property Owners Association
- National Institute for Trial Advocacy
- American Intellectual Property Society
- Boston Patent Law Association
- Giles Sutherland Rich Memorial Moot Court Competition, Northeast Region of the Chairperson, 2000, 2001, 2002

EDUCATION

- J.D., Boston College Law School, 1998 (*cum laude*)
- B.S., Tufts University College of Engineering, 1995 (*Computer Engineering, magna cum laude*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Massachusetts
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

NEWS & EVENTS

- 1 September 2020, K&L Gates Secures Win for Lenovo in Patent Infringement Matter (*Noteworthy Work*)

AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Litigation
- IP Procurement and Portfolio Management
- Post-Grant Patents

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- National Fish & Seafood, Inc. v. Tampa Bay Fisheries et al. Represented NFS in a trade secret misappropriation action. The dispute settled amicably after an evidentiary hearing and written decision granted NFS its requested injunctive relief.
- Source Search Technologies, LLC vs. KAYAK Software Corporation. Represented KAYAK in a patent infringement action concerning its Search One and Done® website. The District Court invalidated the asserted patent under 35 U.S.C. 101 and awarded KAYAK attorney fees; a decision affirmed by the Federal Circuit.
- Exergen Corp. v. CVS Corp. Represented Exergen in a patent infringement action concerning its patented temporal artery thermometer technology. After a fifteen-day trial, the jury found each of Exergen's three asserted patents valid and infringed.
- Intellectual Ventures I, LLC et al v. Lenovo Group. Ltd., et al. Represented Lenovo and EMC at inter partes reexamination proceeding adverse to IV patent. The challenged claims were held unpatentable in after a PTAB hearing.
- Aggreko, LLC v. United Rentals, Inc. et al., Represented United Rentals in defense of claims alleging trade secret misappropriation. The case settled after a multi-day evidentiary hearing in which United Rentals defeated Aggreko's unreasonable request for injunctive relief.
- Accusoft Corp. v. Quest Diagnostics, Represented Quest Diagnostics in a breach of contract and copyright infringement dispute concerning its ChartMaxx, OptiMaxx and eMaxx products. The settled after the Court's rulings on motions in limine.
- Sears v. Archer Daniels Midland Company. Represented ADM in a patent infringement action. After a two week trial, the jury found that ADM's Caliber® deicing product did not infringe Sears' patents.