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Practice Areas

Intellectual Property
Patent Prosecution

Jim Bullough's practice involves the preparation and prosecution of domestic and foreign patent applications across a variety of technologies. Mr. Bullough has drafted and/or prosecuted hundreds of applications for inventions across a variety of technology areas.

Areas of Technology:

- Cloud Computing Technologies, such as cloud-computing hardware, optimization of cloud computing resources, synchronizing client workloads, load balancing applications, and various artificial intelligence (AI) applications implemented on the cloud
- Wireless Communication Technologies, including unique antenna configurations, front-end circuitry, distributed wireless networks, digital signal processing, near-field communication (NFC), and analog integrated circuits
- Social Networking Systems, including client-side applications, server-side management, targeted marketing, and features for securing communications between users of various communication platforms
- Other technology areas, including AI applications, machine learning and neural networks, unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs), online gaming, image and video processing, solid state drive (SSD) innovations, cooling systems, and other innovations

Mr. Bullough's practice emphasizes efficient navigation of the complex procedures and personnel of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) to obtain quality patents having broad scope and enforceability without dragging out prosecution of patent applications at great cost to the client. Mr. Bullough has extensive experience interviewing hundreds of cases and developing positive relationships with patent examiners to better understand USPTO rejections and ultimately find the most efficient and cost effective resolution.



In addition, Mr. Bullough has extensive experience dealing with and successfully navigating pitfalls of 35 U.S.C. §101 rejections. Indeed, Mr. Bullough has dedicated a substantial portion of his practice to better understanding the law surrounding 35 U.S.C. §101. He has experience with both Examiners and the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) in overcoming difficult rejections.

Mr. Bullough represents clients of different sizes, ranging from international clients having robust patent departments to smaller clients that are exploring the possibility of filing patents for the first time. In both of these cases, Mr. Bullough provides competent experience counseling clients in management of patent portfolios and making strategic decisions on whether to pursue patents based on a combination of business considerations, patentability, competing technology, and a future landscape of the technology.

Mr. Bullough was selected for inclusion in Mountain States Super Lawyers (2020) as a "Rising Star" in the category of Intellectual Property.

EDUCATION

University of Utah, S.J. Quinney School of Law, J.D., 2011

- President; Student Intellectual Property Law Association (SIPLA), 2009-2010
- CALI Award in Patent Law

University of Utah, B.S. Electrical Engineering, 2008

- Tau Beta Pi Honor Society
- Deans List; College of Engineering
- Presidential Scholar

PRIOR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Keller Jolley Preece, Associate, 2013-2018
- Austin Rapp & Hardman, Associate, 2011-2013

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- Utah State Bar, 2011
- United States Patent & Trademark Office, 2009