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Mike Heins is an associate in the Intellectual Property Practice Group in the firm's San Diego (Del Mar) office.

### Areas of Practice

As a registered patent lawyer, Mike's practice focuses on patent and trademark litigation before federal courts, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the International Trade Commission (ITC). He also advises clients on due diligence and IP portfolio issues.

Mike counsels clients to achieve positive outcomes in an efficient manner. He often represents clients at trial; takes and defends depositions; manages discovery; develops litigation claims and defenses; and drafts motions as well as appellate briefs. Mike litigates disputes involving mobile phones (LTE/Bluetooth standards and implementation patents), semiconductors, software, online transactions, food packaging machines, online gaming, 3D projection systems, mobile payment applications, paper shredders, vacuum cleaning machines, pet carriers, split-top beds and mobile phone cases.

Mike recently represented a system-on-a-chip, semiconductor company before the ITC regarding alleged infringement of three patents. The Commission returned a finding of no violation based on non-infringement of each of the asserted patents and invalidity as to certain asserted claims.

### Honors

"Ones to Watch," *Best Lawyers*, 2024-2025

### Articles

- "Selling Congress on eBay: Should Congress Force the ITC to Apply the eBay Standard?" *22 Federal Circuit Bar Journal* 589, 2013
- "Common Interest and Joint Defense Privileges and Agreements in Patent Litigation," *Patent Litigation and Strategies Handbook*, Fourth Edition, 2015 (including 2016-2019 cumulative supplements)

### Practices

Appellate

Intellectual Property

Copyrights

False Advertising, Lanham Act and Unfair Competition

International Trade Commission (ITC)

IP Licensing, Technology and Commercial Transactions

Patent Litigation

Post-Grant Proceedings

Trademarks and Trade Dress

## Industries

Aerospace, Defense & Government Services

Blockchain

Blockchain and Fintech

Esports & Games

Fintech

## Education

J.D., George Washington University, 2013, *with honors*

B.S./B.A., Mechanical Engineering and Philosophy, University of Missouri, 2010, *summa cum laude and honors scholar*

## Admissions

California

U.S. District Court for the Central District of California

District of California

District of Columbia

Virginia

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office