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About Soumitra

Soumitra (Sam) Deka is a seasoned patent litigator with more than 20 years of experience representing clients in high-stakes intellectual property (IP) disputes. His practice spans a wide range of technologies, including semiconductors, optical networking, 3D imaging and display, hard disk drives (HDDs), telecommunications and cybersecurity, as well as pharmaceuticals and medical devices.

As a registered patent attorney, Sam regularly represents clients in *inter partes* review (IPR) proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. In addition to his patent litigation focus, he has extensive trial experience in complex litigation and arbitration involving trade secrets, antitrust claims and royalty disputes.

Earlier in his career, Sam gained hands-on technical research experience at a telecommunications equipment company and later served in the in-house legal department of a semiconductor research and manufacturing company while attending law school. This unique combination of technical and legal expertise enables him to deliver strategic, business-focused solutions for clients navigating complex IP challenges.

Experience

Pharmaceutical/Biotech

- Counsel for a pharmaceutical company in a patent litigation involving a treatment for rheumatoid arthritis (RA).
- Counsel for a pharmaceutical company in patent litigations involving a treatment for chronic myeloid leukemia (CML).
- Counsel for a pharmaceutical company in patent litigations and arbitrations involving a treatment for multiple sclerosis (MS).
- Counsel for a pharmaceutical company in patent litigations involving a COX-2 inhibitor for use as a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID).

- Counsel for a pharmaceutical company in patent litigations involving methods of DNA analysis and gene mapping.
- Counsel for a medical device company in a patent litigation involving spinal cord stimulation (SCS) systems.
- Counsel for a pharmaceutical company in patent litigations involving a treatment for erectile dysfunction (ED).

Technology

- Counsel for a precision electromechanical component and assembly manufacturer in a patent litigation involving HDD suspension assemblies.
- Counsel for an enterprise computer and internet security company in patent litigations involving mobile phone and computer security software.
- Counsel for a video game system design and manufacturing company in a patent litigation involving stereoscopic (3D) image capture and display technology.
- Counsel for a defense and security company in a patent litigation involving multimode interference (MMI) waveguides, Mach-Zehnder interferometers and related optical telecommunications technologies.

Credentials

Education

- Temple University School of Law, J.D., 2003
- Tulane University, B.S., Physics, 2000

Admissions

- California
- New York
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Courts

- U.S. Ct. of App., Federal Circuit
- U.S. Dist. Ct., N. Dist. of California
- U.S. Dist. Ct., S. Dist. of New York

Memberships & Affiliations

- 2017 LCLD Fellow

Expertise

Services

- Intellectual Property & Technology

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and government meet. We deliver commercially focused business solutions by combining our legal, lobbying and political capabilities and invaluable connections on the ground to a diverse mix of clients, from long-established leading corporations to emerging businesses, startup visionaries and sovereign nations. More than 1,500 lawyers in over 40 offices across four continents provide unrivaled access to expertise.