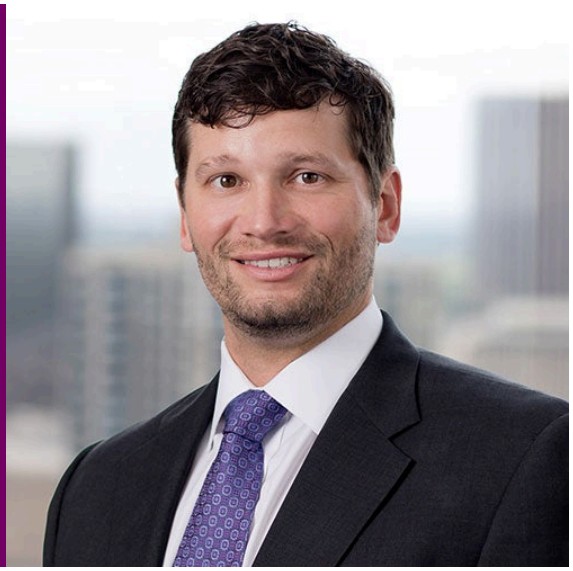
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Dustin uses his broad experience across all aspects of patent law, including litigation, prosecution and client counseling, to assist his clients in developing strategies that best serve their business objectives.

OVERVIEW

Dustin's work spans all areas of intellectual property law, including patent prosecution, patent litigation (including Hatch-Waxman litigation) and client counseling. He represents clients ranging from startups and solo inventors to *Fortune* 500 companies. Dustin works closely with his clients to learn their business objectives so that he can tailor strategies to procure, protect and enforce their intellectual property.

Dustin has extensive experience with post-grant proceedings (e.g., *inter partes* reviews) before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), where he represents both patent owners and petitioners across a wide range of technologies, including wireless networking, pharmaceuticals, MEMS devices, medical devices and electro-mechanical consumer devices. Dustin's experience in patent prosecution, counseling and patent litigation uniquely positions him to navigate the blended practice of post-grant proceedings.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Serves as lead counsel to a *Fortune* 200 energy company with respect to various aspects of intellectual property, including patent procurement, freedom to operate, nondisclosure agreements and licensing.
- Represents a top technology university in the procurement of patents across varying technologies, including MIMO systems, cellular systems, medical devices, advanced materials and semiconductors.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in IPRs involving patents covering leading medication to treat ADHD, which resulted in a favorable settlement.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in IPRs involving patents covering leading medication to treat opioid addiction, which resulted in a victory for the client.
- Represented a technology company in IPRs involving patents related to wireless networking, which resulted in a favorable settlement.
- Defended a *Fortune* 100 banking company in multidistrict litigation involving patents related to image processing systems, which resulted in all claims found pursuant to an early summary judgment motion.
- Represented the manufacturer of a leading medication to treat opioid addiction in Hatch-Waxman litigation, which resulted in a favorable settlement.

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AWARDS

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TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- Intellectual Property
- Litigation + Trial

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Business Litigation
- Health Care + Life Sciences Intellectual Property
- Intellectual Property
- Litigation + Trial
- Patent Litigation
- Patent Prosecution, Counseling + Portfolio Management
- Post-Grant Patent Review
- Trademark + Copyright

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Engineering Co-op, Southern Company, Southern Company Services, 2004-2006
- Engineering Co-op, Plant Scherer, Georgia Power Company, 2002-2004

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Mercer University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*, 2010
- Georgia Institute of Technology, B.S.E.E., *with honors*, 2007, digital signal processing

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Georgia
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

COURT ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of Georgia
- Court of Appeals of Georgia
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Georgia
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

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