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OVERVIEW

Robert's intellectual property practice focuses on U.S. and foreign trademark clearance and prosecution, copyright and patent prosecution, as well as intellectual property litigation. He represents public and private companies internationally in managing and enforcing their intellectual property portfolios, including for a multitude of internationally recognized consumer brands for sports trading card, real estate, sports apparel, children's apparel, and biomedical product industry clients.

With regard to intellectual property enforcement, Robert assists clients with trademark infringement and unfair competition cease-and-desist matters, and intellectual property litigation. He also regularly handles trademark opposition, cancellation, and *ex parte* appeal proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB).

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented a real estate services corporation and related subsidiaries in the clearance and prosecution of U.S. and foreign service mark and trademark portfolios.
- Represented a nationally recognized sports apparel retailer concerning clearance and prosecution of its U.S. and foreign trademark portfolios, along with providing anti-counterfeiting counseling and strategies to address and remove counterfeit products from the market both in the U.S. and abroad.
- Represented a nationally recognized sports trading card retailer concerning clearance and prosecution of its U.S. and foreign trademark portfolios, along with regularly handling TTAB opposition and cancellation proceedings and implementing anti-counterfeiting strategies to address and remove counterfeit products from U.S. and foreign markets, including with respect to counterfeit products offered via social media platforms internationally.
- Represented a nationally recognized family-owned infant and children's apparel manufacturer and retailer with regard to clearance and prosecution of its U.S. trademark portfolio.
- Represented an industrial chemical manufacturing and supply company in the prosecution of service marks and trademarks before the USPTO and provided representation in trademark opposition proceedings before the TTAB.
- Represented a plaintiff corporation in litigation involving claims of trademark infringement, breach of contract, copyright infringement, and unfair competition.
- Represented a variety of clients in domain name dispute matters under the Uniform Domain Name Dispute

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Resolution Policy (UDRP).
- Represented researchers in the prosecution of U.S. and foreign biotechnology and mechanical patent applications.

AWARDS

- *Best Lawyers in America*®: Litigation – Intellectual Property (2027)
- *World Trademark Review* – WTR 1000 (2026)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Intellectual Property
- Trademark + Copyright

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Intellectual Property
- Patent Prosecution, Counseling + Portfolio Management
- Trademark + Copyright

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, Dallas Bar Association
- Life fellow, Dallas Young Lawyers Association

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- Southern Methodist University Dedman School of Law, J.D., 1999
- The University of Texas at Dallas, B.S., 1992

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Texas
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office