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Jason's practice focuses on preparing and prosecuting patent applications; preparing patentability, freedom-to-practice and validity opinions; client counseling regarding intellectual property; and preparing and prosecuting trademark applications.

Jason has substantial experience in obtaining patents in diverse technology areas including automotive technologies such as exhaust after-treatment systems, clutches, transmissions, expandable sealants and shaft seals; compressors; piezoelectric actuator and piezoelectric compositions; medical devices; ink compositions and methods; ink jet printing apparatuses and methods; interferometers; display technologies including LCD, LED, electrophoretic and OLED; SAW devices; gyroscopes; resonators; VSCELS; and others.

Jason also has experience with on-site client counselling, as he previously assisted a client by travelling to the client once a week to provide patent services including harvesting the client's invention disclosures, assisting in determining for which inventions to pursue patent protection, and counseling the client on various patentability, freedom-to-practice and validity issues. He is admitted to practice in the Michigan state courts, and before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

## PRACTICE AREAS

Patents

## INDUSTRIES

Automotive & Autonomous Vehicles; Chemistry & Materials Science; Clean & Green Technology; Consumer Electronics; Image Processing, Lasers & Optics; Manufacturing; Mechanical & Electromechanical; Medical Devices

## NEWS/EVENTS

### IN THE NEWS

- Four Harness IP Patent Attorneys featured in *Detroit Legal News*, January 2, 2015
- Harness IP Names Five Attorneys as Principals, January 1, 2015



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## BACKGROUND

Prior to joining Harness IP, Jason was employed in the automotive field at Sika Corporation, where he focused on the research and development of thermoplastic and rubber-based expandable sealants for use as acoustic baffles in automobiles. While attending law school, he worked as a Law Clerk and a Patent Agent at Harness IP, assisting in the preparation and prosecution of patent applications.

## MEMBERSHIPS

- Michigan Intellectual Property Law Association
- Oakland County Bar Association

## EDUCATION

J.D., Thomas M. Cooley Law School, 2006

B.S., Chemistry, Michigan State University, 1999

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Michigan

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office