

# JOHN W. FITZPATRICK

### SENIOR COUNSEL / WASHINGTON, D.C. METRO OFFICE

John's practice includes utility and design patent application preparation and prosecution both in the U.S. and abroad. John strives to execute patents that are both defendable and enforceable for his clients. His goal is to consistently address the issues, arguments, and problems of each matter from a technological perspective, and to specifically identify the unique attributes of the innovation at hand in order to create a strong and comprehensive patent. John's attention to detail and in-depth understanding of technology and intellectual property law allow him to deliver quality legal services to his clients.

John offers more than two decades of in-depth experience in intellectual property law and has a proven ability to represent clients in complex and challenging technical fields, including: medical devices, semiconductors, wafer processing and equipment and fabrication, display devices (LCD, LED and plasma displays), wireless communication systems, fiber optics, digital image processing, audio and video consumer electronics, and automobile components.

John also has extensive experience in preparing and filing design patent applications. He advises domestic and international clients on application strategies before filing to enhance the scope of their design patents and thereby increase their value.

## **PRACTICE AREAS**

Patents

#### **INDUSTRIES**

Automotive & Autonomous Vehicles; Clean & Green Technology; Electrical, Computer & Internet; Energy Production & Delivery; Manufacturing; Mechanical & Electromechanical; Medical Devices; Telecommunications & Wireless Technology

#### **NEWS/EVENTS**

#### **EVENTS**

• IIPLA 2nd Global IP Summit, London, June 2016



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#### **BACKGROUND**

John is an accomplished professional who partners with his clients to build key alliances and develop solid interpersonal relationships. A highly organized and dedicated attorney with a positive attitude, John is able to set effective priorities and handle multiple assignments under high pressure and within tight deadlines.

Prior to joining the firm, John served as in-house counsel for a major, publically traded company focused on developing and commercializing innovative technologies in life, electronic, nano, and physical sciences developed by universities, companies, and inventors. In this capacity, he worked to maximize the value of intellectual property assets for the benefit of its customers, clients, and shareholders. His experience in this role affords him an additional level of insight into the inner workings of in-house IP teams, and allows him to anticipate the challenges they face and offer practical solutions that will help them minimize costs and risks while maximizing the value they offer their companies.

#### **EDUCATION**

J.D., Franklin Pierce Law Center, 1995

LL.M, Intellectual Property, Franklin Pierce Law Center, 1995

B.S., Biochemistry, Colorado State University, 1990

#### **BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS**

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U.S. Patent and Trademark Office