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- BAR ADMISSIONS**
- New York State
 - Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

- APPOINTMENTS**
- Board of Advisers, A.I.E.S.E.C. U.K., 2008

- EDUCATION**
- **University of Cambridge**, M.A. (Cantab), 2006
 - **Nottingham Law School**, Diploma in Legal Practice, Commendation, 2003
 - **University of Cambridge**, B.A. (Hons), Law, 2:1, 2002

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **New York County Lawyers' Association, Appellate Committee**, Subcommittee on Electronic Filing, June 2010 to present.
- **New York City Bar Association, Lead IP Attorney** and recurring speaker for Neighborhood Entrepreneur Law Project, May 2010 to present. Speaking engagements were described as "excellent, entertaining, informative and knowledgeable...really terrific and clear".
- **American Bar Association, Section of Intellectual Property Law Peer Reviewer**, May 2010 to present.
- **Ashurst LLP, IP/IT Litigation Associate**, September 2004 - June 2010 *excl. Jan.-Oct. 2009*: [Clients' names omitted from online resume]

- Trademarks:
 - Trusted to protect world-famous brands, having argued successful trademark Oppositions for luxury and international clients.
 - Forced the withdrawal of an appeal in a widely reported trademark action for prestigious hotel and casino by recovering and organizing evidence the Appellants believed they had destroyed.
 - Obtained judgment and injunctive relief for confiscation of imported counterfeit goods.
 - Developed efficient and successful protocols that led to the annual resolution of over 100 company and domain name disputes via Court and arbitration proceedings as well as negotiated settlements.
 - Secured favorable settlement of EURid dispute by identifying "private" Respondent as senior employee of Investment Bank by tracing his emails.
 - Experienced in taking claims to judgment and securing injunctive relief.
- Copyright:
 - Negotiated exceptional settlement in \$20bn "bet-the-company" literary and artistic copyright, trade secret and patent trial through persuasive and insightful drafting of Complaint, Motion for Summary Judgment, Witness Statements, and forensic analyses of software (Visual Basic) code.
 - Successfully negotiated settlement of dispute involving copyright in financial reports for 2% of sum claimed through bold response to principal factual and legal allegations contained in pre-action correspondence.
 - Coordinate worldwide anti-counterfeiting programs using network of professional contacts and industry knowledge.
- Patents:
 - Advise diverse industries on patentability, validity and infringement of domestic and international patents.
 - Background in the technology industry has informed work on successful I.C.C. arbitration for large pharmaceutical company and in trial involving avionics.
 - Managed teams of junior lawyers in successful I.C.C. arbitration. Complimented by Tribunal for quality of work and speed of turnaround.
 - Completed complex analyses of several years of royalties accounting and presented them in accessible visual form for use in successful international arbitration.
 - Advise Applicants on duties of good faith and candor; IPR securitization.
- Commercial:
 - Strong reputation for technical IT knowledge and drafting skills. Regularly advise financial institutions on migration, infrastructure, data management and breach of confidence disputes.
 - Saved our private equity client \$2,000,000 (over 80% of the claim) as lead associate in an IT mediation.
 - Provide advise in relation to pre-emptive proceedings and enforcement of judgments; insolvency; contractual disputes; professional negligence; misuse of the telecommunications system; IP / IT licenses; syndication; serialization; and sponsorship.
- Securities, Fraud:
 - Drafted key Prosecutor and Defense Witness Statements in multi-million pound criminal fraud and civil securities and market abuse actions involving the Serious Fraud Office (equivalent to D.O.J.), the Financial Services Authority (equivalent to S.E.C.) and private brokerage firms and market-makers.
- Pro bono*:
 - Adopted and developed significant *pro bono* relationship with A.I.E.S.E.C. while also providing commercial advice to charities including C.A.R.E. International and Save The Children.
 - Recent speaking engagement for the New York City Bar Association on litigation has been described as "excellent, entertaining, informative and knowledgeable", and "really terrific and clear".

- **TTPCom Limited (acquired by Motorola), Cell Phone Development**, October 2003 – September 2004

Team leader for multi-project program; reduced testing time by approximately 70% through improved communication and implementation of software solutions.

- **Jones Day (then Gouldens)**, Summer Associate, Private Equity, July 2001.
- **Arthur Cox**, Summer Associate, Legislative and Case Law Research, August 2001.

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REPRESENTATIVE TRIAL EXPERIENCE [Parties' names omitted from online resume]

- 2010 • [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Prevented the use of our luxury client's trademark in a company name.
- 2009 • [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Obtained judgment and injunctive relief for the confiscation and destruction of imported counterfeit goods.
- 2008 • [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Trademark Oppositions (ongoing) at the European Office of Harmonization for the Internal Market.
 - [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Successful trademark Oppositions involving copyright and trademark claims.
 - [Parties' names withheld]. Associate. Provided Counsel with essential additional material for Opening Statement in successful I.C.C. patent arbitration after conducting urgent review of the prior art in the weekend before the arbitration began. Managed teams of junior lawyers and prepared analyses of complex financial transactions.
 - [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Obtained two precedent-setting awards in domain name ADR.
- 2007 • [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Achieved exceptional settlement of high-value literary and artistic copyright, trade secret and patent dispute through qualitative and quantitative forensic analyses of 50,000 lines of software code as part of my motions for Summary Judgment and permanent injunctive relief.
- 2006 • [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Forced the withdrawal of an Appeal in a widely reported trademark action by recovering and analyzing material deleted by the Defendants.
 - [Parties' names withheld]. Lead associate. Protected client's trademark through successful trademark Opposition and obtaining interim injunctive relief.
- 2005 • [Parties' names withheld]. Created interactive diagrams to explain the disputed claims of an international patent.
 - [Parties' names withheld]. Entrusted with the drafting of key prosecution witness statement for Director of merchant bank in successful criminal fraud action brought by Serious Fraud Office (UK equivalent to Department of Justice) against finance director of a publicly traded company in relation to false financial statements concealing a US\$18million liability.
- 2004 • [Parties' names withheld]. Responsible for interviewing and drafting witness statements of several key market-makers, providing detailed analyses of securities trades in US\$25million securities fraud and market abuse suit against multiple corporate and individual defendants.

PUBLICATIONS

- 2010 • **"Key Distinctions in the European Approach to Online Jurisdiction and Trademark Disputes."** In-depth analysis of how the differing European and US approaches to questions of personal and subject matter jurisdiction and the enforcement of foreign judgments will affect international businesses when the allegedly infringing acts occur online. *NYSBA Bright Ideas*, September 2010.
- **"Appellate Courts Committee Response to the Request by the New York Court of Appeals for Comments Regarding the Adoption of Mandatory Electronic Filing."** Co-author of a statement on behalf of the NYCLA Subcommittee on Electronic Filing, part of the Appellate Courts Committee. August 27, 2010.
- **"General Court lays down a marker in trademark and design dispute."** Analysis of the jurisdiction of the European General Court, as well as the relationship between registered Community designs and earlier registered trademarks. *World Trademark Review*, May 25, 2010.
- **"Talking Point: Google keywords."** Featured in an Editorial discussing the ECJ's landmark ruling on the legality of Google's AdWords program. *World Trademark Review*, May 4, 2010.
- **"Not so long ago, in a courtroom not so far away..."** Review of U.K. and U.S. copyright law and international jurisdictional issues addressed by litigation involving Star Wars Stormtroopers. *IP/IT Newsletter*, March 1, 2010.
- **"Can You Keep A Secret?"** Discussion of I.C.C. proposal to resolve uncertainty caused by differing Client-Attorney privilege rules in international litigation. *IP/IT Newsletter*, March 1, 2010.
- **"Advocate General deconstructs Lego's trademark appeal."** Review of the latest case from Europe to discuss the registrability of shapes as trademarks. *World Trademark Review*, February 4, 2010.
- 2009 • **"Rome II: Impact on the governing law of Intellectual Property Claims."** Co-Author on discussion of European Regulation on the Law Applicable to Non-Contractual Obligations. *Litigation Briefing*, January 22, 2009.
- 2008 • **"Are Ryanair's no-fly zones scraping the barrel?"** Discussion of the statutory and regulatory grounds upon which one of Europe's largest budget airlines cancelled all tickets purchased via "screen-scraping" websites. *IP/IT Newsletter*, November 3, 2008.
- **"Overview of Online Service Providers' Liability for User-Generated Content."** Overview of the potential IP and Data Protection liabilities of telecommunication and Internet service providers and available defenses. *Communications Briefing*, October 1, 2008.
- **"Nominet Dispute Resolution Service Policy and Procedure Amended."** Discussion of the changes made by a leading domain name registry to its ADR Policy and Procedure. *World Trademark Review*, September 16, 2008.
- 2007 • **"Getting Connected: A City View."** Featured in a review of new technology and the use of open source software for professional purposes. *Law Society Gazette*, June 14, 2007.
- **"IP Criminal Enforcement Directive moves to next step."** Summary of pan-European criminal law measures to combat IP infringements. *World Trademark Review*, May 30, 2007.
- **"Trademarks Act Clarification Issued by High Court."** Case review concerning similarity of specifications of goods and services as well as the theory of acquiescence. *World Trademark Review*, March 9, 2007.