

Jeffrey M. Thompson

Partner





Overview

Although Jeff focuses his practice on intellectual property, commercial litigation and insurance litigation, he is a flexible litigator who can handle a wide range of civil disputes.

In the area of intellectual property, he represents clients in trademark, copyright and licensing disputes as well as disputes over trade secrets, confidentiality clauses and non-competition agreements.

Jeff is a member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association and past chair of the Intellectual Property Committee of the ABA Tort Insurance Practice Section. Twice, he has traveled to Austria to explain the issues surrounding U.S. intellectual property litigation to audiences of international lawyers.

Jeff also conducts a robust practice in insurance litigation, where he represents a wide range of commercial insurers as defendants in coverage disputes and as plaintiffs in matters involving contribution or subrogation. The cases have involved environmental, directors and officers, errors and omissions and commercial general liability policies.

Jeff is admitted to practice in three of the federal circuit courts of appeals and ten of the federal districts. He has litigated in 14 states.

In addition to his intellectual property, commercial and insurance litigation work, Jeff gets a lot of satisfaction from representing individual claimants in cases involving coverage under life and disability policies.

Jeff sat on the planning committee of the City of Plymouth. Currently, most of his outside-the-office attention is focused on the school and athletic activities of his five children.

Education

Services

- Intellectual Property
- Commercial Litigation
- Insurance
 - Insurance Bad Faith
 - Insurance Coverage
 - Insurance Reinsurance

State Bar Admissions

Minnesota, 1988

Federal Court Admissions

- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, 2005
- United States Court of Appeals,
 Eighth Circuit, 1994
- United States Court of Appeals,
 Ninth Circuit, 1989
- United States District Court,
 District of Arizona, 1990
- United States District Court,
 Central District of California, 1989
- United States District Court,
 Eastern District of California, 1993
- United States District Court,
 Northern District of California,
 1994
- United States District Court,
 Southern District of California,
 2004
- United States District Court,
 Central District of Illinois, 1996
- United States District Court,
 District of Minnesota, 1995
- United States District Court,
 Northern District of Texas, 1988
- United States District Court,

- University of Notre Dame Law School, J.D., cum laude, 1986
- Michigan State University, B.A., 1983



Experience

Professional Affiliations

- American Bar Association
- Chair of Tort Insurance Practice Section (TIPS) Intellectual Property
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Minnesota State Bar Association
- California State Bar Association
- Texas State Bar Association
- Awarded the highest possible Martindale-Hubbell Peer Review Rating, AV® Preeminent ™ (AV is a registered certification mark of Reed Elsevier Properties Inc., used in accordance with the Martindale-Hubbell certification procedures, standards and policies)

Notable

Speaking Engagements & Published Articles

- Liability of Lawyers in Crossborder Transactions, sponsored by the Center for International Legal Studies (January 23-29, 2005)
- High-Tech Law: E-Commerce, Information Technology, and Telecommunications Law; International Intellectual Property Licensing Disputes, Kitzbühel, Austria; (January 12-18, 2003)
- Sue Or Be Sued? Ethical Issues Relating To Intellectual Property Litigation and Insurance Coverage, ABA Tort and Insurance Practice Section, ABA Annual Meeting (1999)
- Recent Developments in Advertising Injury Coverage Case Law; Intellectual Property Disputes, ABA Annual Meeting (1999)
- "Insurance Coverage for the Sexual Transmission of Disease" 13 Hamline L. Rev. 37 (1990)