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Main Bio

David Nigro's practice is concentrated in intellectual property law. He has experience advising clients in patent and trademark prosecutions, patent and trademark litigation, and transactions involving intellectual property. David has experience in a variety of industries and technologies including chemical processes and compositions, consumer and pet food production/packaging, composite materials, firearms, firearm accessories, seed and plant biotechnology, renewable/sustainable technologies, compound bows, cross bows, ceramics, aerospace systems, electrical power generation and control, jet engines, nacelles, financial services and information technologies. Prior to attending law school, David worked as an application developer in the information technology field. As an undergraduate, David worked as a synthetic organic chemist.

Apart from his law practice, David is a statewide leader on issues relating to the education of children with sensory disabilities.

Education

- Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law (J.D., *magna cum laude*, 2007)
 - Order of the Coif
 - Dean's Award for Outstanding Performance
 - William H. Pedrick Scholar
 - Associate Editor, *Jurimetrics: The Journal of Law, Science and Technology*
- Duke University (B.S., Biology and Public Policy, minor in Chemistry, 2001)

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[Opinion: Think Beyond the Utility Patent to Protect Your Portfolio](#)," Co-Author, BioSpace (February 7, 2024)
- "[My View: Weakening Policy on Covid Vaccine Intellectual Property Would Hurt Life Sciences Sector](#)," Author, Phoenix Business Journal (July 7, 2023)
- "Tips and Tricks to Identify Patentable Inventions For Non-IP Personnel" Presenter, Snell & Wilmer Virtual CLE Series (June 20, 2023)
- "[Tips and Tricks for Scientists and Engineers to Identify Patentable Inventions](#)," Co-Author, R&D World (February 2, 2023)

- "[Blind Teen Sailors Find Wider Horizons](#)," Profiled, Arizona Attorney (November 2019)
- "[Health Care Heroes 2019 Philanthropic Champion Winner: David Nigro](#)," Profiled, Phoenix Business Journal (August 22, 2019)

Professional Recognition & Awards

- Snell & Wilmer COACH Award (2024)
- Arizona State University Jurimetrics Law Journal Distinguished Alumni Award (2021)
- Phoenix Business Journal Health Care Heroes Philanthropic Champion (2019)
- Gold 'n Gavel Star, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law, Arizona State University (2018)

Community Involvement

- American Printing House for the Blind, Board member (2023)
- Raising Special Kids, Board Member (2023-2026)
- Arizona State Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Board Member (2016-2023)
 - President (2019-2023)
- Foundation for Blind Children, Board Member (2015-present)
 - President (2020-2022)

Previous Professional Experience

- Accenture, Inc., Analyst/Application Developer (2001-2004)
- Duke Cancer Institute (1999)

Bar Admissions

- Arizona
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona
- United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court, District of Arizona