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Main Bio

Tyler Fortner focuses his practice in intellectual property law and technology and leverages his background to assist clients of all sizes grappling with intellectual property issues and emerging technologies. He has experience drafting and prosecuting patents and trademarks, in addition to advising clients in developing intellectual property strategies and counseling on related matters including intellectual property ownership auditing, licensing, assignment, enforcement and web usage. Prior to law school, Tyler's technical experience primarily focused on medical imaging systems, biomedical products and mechanical devices, including computed tomography (CT) scanners, positron emission tomography (PET) scanners, biomaterial implants and fluid control devices.

As a registered patent attorney, Tyler has experience preparing and prosecuting patent applications in a variety of technological areas, including aerospace structures and related systems, engines, mechanical structures, software, medical devices, sporting equipment and firearms.

Education

- Arizona State University, Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law (J.D., 2017)
 - Center for Law, Science and Innovation Center Scholar (2015-2016)
 - Associate Editor, Jurimetrics: Journal for Law, Science and Technology
 - Benjami Herbert Scholarship Recipient
- University of Akron (B.S., Biomedical Engineering, 2014)
 - Honors Scholar
 - Dean's List

Representative Presentations & Publications

- "[Federal Circuit Holds Tribal Immunity Does Not Bar IPR of Tribe-Owned Patents](#)," Co-Author, SWIPLit Blog (July 24, 2018)
- "[Federal Circuit Holds 'Scandalous and Immoral' Ban Unconstitutional](#)," Co-Author, SWIPLit Blog (December 18, 2017)

Community Involvement

- Volunteer Lawyers Program (2018)

Other Professional Experience

- Arizona State University Innovation and Advancement Clinic, Student Practitioner (2017)
- Lisa Foundation Patent Law Clinic, Student Practitioner (2016-2017)
- PING, Intellectual Property Law Clerk (2015-2017)
- Philips Healthcare, Mechanical Engineering Co-Op (2012)
- Parker Hannifin, Mechanical Product Engineering Co-Op (2012)

Bar Admissions

- Arizona
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

Court Admissions

- Supreme Court of Arizona