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SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Certified by the Florida Supreme Court as a mediator in all circuit civil matters since 2015, approved for mediation in all Florida state and federal courts; nearly twenty-five years of litigation experience focused primarily in intellectual property disputes, including cases involving patents, trademarks, restrictive covenants, trade secrets, and shareholder disputes. Qualified and served as expert witness. Patent prosecution experience. Well-known and actively involved in state and local IP bar associations. Very comfortable testifying and speaking on complex matters. Fee expert testimony cited favorably by judge.

HONORS & AWARDS

- Selected five times by peers as the Tampa-area *Lawyer of the Year* in intellectual property law, including Intellectual Property Litigation (2016 & 2019), Trademark Law (2013 & 2017), and Copyright Law (2021) *via* The Best Lawyers in America® peer voting.
- Selected by peers in the specialty areas of Intellectual Property Law (2011-2021); Intellectual Property Litigation (2013-2021); Commercial Litigation (2015-2021); Trademark Law (2013-2021); and Copyright Law (2014, 2016-2019, 2021) *via* The Best Lawyers in America® peer voting.
- Matulis IP Law selected as U.S. News & World Report as a Tier 1 firm in multiple areas of intellectual property each year since 2016.
- Selected to Florida Trend Magazine's Legal Elite for Intellectual Property, 2011.
- Selected to Super Lawyers, featuring selected Intellectual Property Law attorneys from across the United States, for every year since 2010.
- Selected to "Tampa's Best Lawyers® 2010" in the specialty of Intellectual Property Law.
- Rated "AV Preeminent 5.0 out of 5" by Martindale Hubbell and 10.0 out of 10 by Avvo.com

CERTIFICATIONS

- Registered Patent Attorney since 1999, U.S.P.T.O.
- Board Certified in Intellectual Property Law since 2007, FLORIDA BAR
- Certified as a mediator and authorized to serve in all Florida state and federal courts since 2015, FLORIDA SUPREME COURT

BAR ACTIVITIES

- Chair, Florida Bar Business Law Section's Intellectual Property Committee, 2020-2021
- Co-Chair, Mediation and Arbitration Section, Hillsborough County Bar Association, 2018-2019
- Co-Chair, Intellectual Property Section, Hillsborough County Bar Ass'n, 2009-2011
- Committee Chair, 9th Annual Intellectual Property Law Symposium, Florida Bar Intellectual Property Committee, St. Petersburg Beach, FL, April, 2018
- American Intellectual Property Law Association: Patent Litigation Committee, Trademark Litigation Committee; Contributing Author to Case Summary Updates, 2005
- The Florida Bar: Business Law Section, Intellectual Property Committee, Computer & Technology Law Committee; Alternative Dispute Resolution Section; Entertainment, Arts, & Sports Section; General Practice Section; Trial Lawyers Section

PUBLICATIONS AND SPEECHES

- Moderator, Preliminary Relief in Intellectual Property Law Cases - Florida Bar Intellectual Property Law Committee's IP Symposium –2021
- Presenter, Intellectual Property Year in Review - Florida Bar Business Law Section's Legislative and Caselaw Update Series, October 2020
- Presenter, *Trademark Law: What Your Clients Need You to Know*, North Tampa Bar Association, September 2020
- Presenter, *Overview of Intellectual Property*, Jim Moran Institute for Global Leadership, Florida State University, 2019
- Presenter, *Intellectual Property Law for Lawyers*, North Tampa Bar Association, 2019
- Author, *Your Difficult Mediation Client...Help Me Help You!*, Lawyer Magazine, January 2018
- Co-Presenter, along with Magistrate Judge Paul Pizzo (MDFla), *Mediating Intellectual Property Cases*, Hillsborough County Bar Association, October, 2017
- Presenter, *2017 Trademark Law Year in Review* - Florida Bar Intellectual Property Committee's 8th Annual IP Symposium, March 2017
- Author, *War in the Amazon Jungle*, Lawyer Magazine, January 2017
- Author, *Turning Your Mediator into a Decisionmaker: Can't You Just Decide for Us?*, January 2017
- Presenter, *Legitimate Business Interests in Noncompetition Agreements and Other Restrictive Covenants – What It Really Takes*, Hillsborough County Bar Association - Intellectual Property Section CLE, May 2013
- *Hey Trademark License, Put on Some Clothes!...Or Else*, Lawyer Magazine, May 2013

- Quoted in *Engineer Seeks \$2 Million for BP Oil Spill Solutions*, Tampa Bay Business Journal, April 2012
- Author, *Patent Reform: What Passage of the America Invents Act Means*, Tampa Bay Business Journal, March 2012
- Guest Columnist, *Patent Reform Ideas Would Be Welcome in IP Heavy Bay Area Market*, Tampa Bay Business Journal, August 2011
- Author, *Attack of the Trolls 2 - Rise of the False Patent Marking Troll*, Lawyer Magazine (November 2010)
- Featured, *Law Certification Sends Clients a Signal: Expertise Practiced Here*, Tampa Bay Business Journal, June 2010
- Author, *The Real Cost to Your Client to Register Copyright in Their Website*, Lawyer Magazine (August 2009)
- Presenter, *Copyright Damages: or, How I Lost the Company to a Programmer, Photographer, Author,...*; Association of Corporate Counsel Meeting, West-Central Florida Chapter, 2008
- Quoted in Inside Counsel Magazine, June 2008 article, *Workers Rights: Employees' Inventions May Lead to Patent Battles with Employers*
- Contributing Author, *The Journal, Update on Commercial Litigation Case Law*, The Florida Bar Association Business Law Section, 2008
- Author, *A Step by-Step Look at the Patent Litigation Process*, Inside the Minds Series of Books for C-level Professionals, hardback published by Aspatore Books, 2007
- Contributing Author, *Annual Trademark Law Update*, American Intellectual Property Law Association, 2005
- Author, *Pre-Grant Publications of Patent Applications*, The Lawyer, 2003
- Author, *Intellectual Property Alert - New Domain Name Registration Opportunities Are Coming*, The Lawyer, 2001
- Author, *Having Your Cake and Eating It Too*, 16 Trial Advocate Quarterly Winter 1997 (Winner "Best Article 1996-1997" Award)

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Florida Frederic G. Levin College of Law (1995)
 - Graduated with Honors
 - Editor-in-Chief / Senior Executive Editor, *Florida Law Review*
- B.S. Chemical Engineering, Clemson University (1989)
 - President, American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Clemson University Student Chapter

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE

- Florida State Courts
- U.S. District Court, Middle District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Florida

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- United States Supreme Court
- United States Patent and Trademark Office
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan