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Intellectual Property

### education

J.D., 1998  
University of Toledo  
B.S., 1994  
The Ohio State University

### admissions

Ohio  
United States Patent and Trademark  
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### Overview

Steve Evans is an experienced, hands-on leader in the firm's Intellectual Property Group who assists clients in global IP matters.

Steve is a highly experienced, results-oriented attorney. He has been involved in hundreds of intellectual property matters with a focus on preparing and prosecuting patent, trademark and copyright applications. Steve specializes in developing cost-effective and legally powerful IP portfolios for clients of all sizes.

Steve has a proven track record of selecting, assembling and leading teams of domestic and foreign legal professionals to operate the global IP operations of a Fortune 500 company. Steve guides those teams to develop intellectual property strategies that align with business growth objectives while managing risk and transforming IP portfolios.

Steve is also actively involved in policing client's rights including investigations, raids, internet takedown actions, and other legal actions around the globe.

Steve has decades of experience preparing legal opinions and advising on agreements including licensing, terms and conditions, distribution and marketing agreements, development agreements, joint IP ownership agreements and non-disclosure agreements. IP due diligence investigations are a key part of Steve's practice as well.

### Representative Matters

- Advising in-house counsel and corporate officers on intellectual property strategies;
- Selection and workflow management of foreign counsel for IP matters throughout the world;

- Intellectual property due diligence analysis for divestitures and acquisitions;
- Agreements on IP matters including development and collaboration agreements, licensing and confidentiality and non-compete agreements;
- Dozens of presentations and articles on all aspects of intellectual property;
- Domestic patent and trademark prosecution; and
- Non-infringement, freedom-to-operate, and invalidity opinions.