



# Ben Volk, Jr. Partner

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#### **PRACTICES**

Intellectual Property

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, J.D., 2000, Order of the Coif
- The Ohio State University, B.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, 1997, Academic All-Big Ten, 1995, 1996, 1997

#### **ADMISSIONS**

- Missouri
- U.S. Patent & Trademark Office

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL)
- · Missouri State Bar
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- · American Bar Association

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

- Thompson Coburn LLP Partner, 2009-Present Associate, 2001-2008
- Howell & Haferkamp, L.C. Associate, 2000-2001

Ben brings a background in electrical and computer engineering to his legal practice, which primarily focuses on the preparation and prosecution of patent applications.

In particular, Ben works closely on patents related to sophisticated digital electronics, including high performance stream processing platforms, artificial intelligence applications, mobile applications, and cloud computing, as well as medical imaging technology, and financial services technology.

He also provides counseling to clients on issues such as licensing, patent infringement, and patent invalidity, particularly in connection with products in development.

In addition to a J.D., Ben holds a Bachelor's degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering from The Ohio State University.

## Industries

Intellectual Property

#### **Publications**

 "USPTO Outlines Possible Pitfalls For Attorneys Using AI," Law360, April 10, 2024

### Recognitions

· Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® (by BL Rankings), 2021-2024