



Intellectual Property Practice

SERVICE

Williams Mullen works with clients to design creative and effective strategies for meeting their intellectual property law needs. Whatever the engagement, our goal is the same – to understand our client's needs and goals fully; to evaluate and advise our clients with respect to relevant legal issues and their implications; and to assist our clients in developing and implementing creative strategies to meet those needs and goals efficiently and cost-effectively.

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Experience

- **National Manufacturer of Kitchen and Bathroom Cabinets**

Defended Cabinet Manufacturer Against Trademark Infringement Claims

Williams Mullen filed a declaratory judgment action for declaration of noninfringement of marks in response to claims asserted by La-Z-Boy. We also included affirmative claims of trademark infringement against La-Z-Boy, and asserted affirmative claims of trademark infringement against La-Z-Boy.

- **International Manufacturer of Furniture Products**

Defended International Manufacturer of Furniture Products In Patent License Arbitration

Represented outdoor patio furniture manufacturer in arbitration over client's alleged failure to pay royalties, pursuant to a patent license agreement between the parties.

- **National Retailer of Used Vehicles**

Defended National Used Automobile Retailer against Trademark and Trade Dress Infringement Claims

Defended client in a declaratory judgment action over trademark infringement in Florida.

- **Broadband Communications and Entertainment Company**

Defended Southeastern Communications Company Against Patent Infringement Claims

Served as local counsel for broadband communications company-client against allegations by competitor of patent infringement related to Voice Over Internet Protocol.

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Related News

- Williams Mullen Announces the Addition of Eight Attorneys
- Seventy-two Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to 2010 "Legal Elite"
- Williams Mullen has 47 first-tier metropolitan rankings in Best Lawyers and U.S. News Media Group's Best Law Firms inaugural publication
- Williams Mullen Launches Economic Development Team
- Williams Mullen Recognized as a Leader in Business Law in 2010 by Chambers USA
- Williams Mullen's Intellectual Property Law Section Grows with Addition of Two Partners
- Williams Mullen Intellectual Property Litigation Team Praised for Victory
- Williams Mullen Welcomes 17 New Attorneys
- Eighty-five Attorneys Named "Best Lawyers in America" 2010
- Williams Mullen Recognized as a Leader in Business Law by Chambers USA
- Williams Mullen Launches Intellectual Property Litigation Blog
- Andrea Z. Warmbier Joins Williams Mullen's Intellectual Property Practice
- Eighty-one Attorneys Named "Best Lawyers in America 2009"
- Amy G. Marino Joins Williams Mullen
- Four Included in Super Lawyers, Corporate Counsel Edition
- René A. Vazquez Joins Williams Mullen in McLean, VA
- Rob Van Arnem Quoted in Law360 Article About Patent Trolls
- Williams Mullen Recognized by Chambers USA for 2012
- Trolling In Financial Waters: The Increasing Threat of Patent Infringement Lawsuits by Trolls in the Financial Services Industry
- A New Patent Shield? House Bill Introduces "Anti-Patent Troll" Legislation
- gTLD Applicants and Trademark Owners: On Your Marks?
- Advertising and Employment Issues for Your Social Media Presence
- Will Federal Circuit's Model Order in Patent Cases Solve the eDiscovery "Problem"?
- ICANN Under Fire on Eve of New GTLD Release
- Battle Plans: Patents in the Financial Services Industry
- Edgenet, Inc. v. The Home Depot USA, Inc., et al ? Seventh Circuit Holds that Contract Gave Retailer the Right to Purchase a Perpetual Copyright License in Inventory Database Taxonomy and

to Use that Taxonomy to Create Its Own Version

- The Joinder Provision in the Patent Reform Act: Leveling the Playing Field Against Multi-Defendant NPE Suits
- Planning for the First to File
- Changes in Pre-Grant and Post-Grant Challenges at the U.S. Patent Office (USPTO)
- eXXXamining Your Brand: Sunrise Period for Trademark Owners to Prevent From Becoming .XXX Domains Starts September 7, 2011
- ICANN Makes Hundreds of New gTLDs Available as of 2012
- Hijacked: ArrivalStar's Patent Suits Regarding Vehicle Tracking and Notification Tools
- Walker Digital Enters the Game: Recent Trend of Patent Infringement Suits Against Activision, Blizzard, Microsoft, Electronic Arts and other Video Game Companies
- USPTO Announces Launch Date for Fast-Track Patent Processing
- Senate Passes Patent System Overhaul
- Copyright Application or Registration: Which Is Needed to Bring Suit?
- Intellectual Property Licensing Primer
- Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2012 Virginia ?Legal Elite?
- Rob VanArnam Quoted in Law360 on Patent Troll Legislation
- Williams Mullen Attorneys Recognized by Chambers USA for 2013
- John Paris and Craig Mytelka mentioned in Inside Business article about BNNT LCC
- Supreme Court Revives FTC Reverse Payment Challenge; Says Agreements Can Violate Antitrust Laws
- Williams Mullen Welcomes Intellectual Property Attorney Joshua B. Brady
- Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to Virginia Business magazine?s 2013 ?Legal Elite?
- Intellectual Property Attorney Martin W. Hayes Joins Williams Mullen
- Speak Now? Sunrise Periods Closing on New gTLDs
- Special Due Diligence Concerns When Buying Unmanned Aircraft Systems
- Williams Mullen Welcomes Intellectual Property Attorney Richard Matthews
- Why Should I Care About Trademarks?
- Supreme Court Clarifies Standing For False Advertising Claims Under The Lanham Act
- Supreme Court Agrees to Take Case Assessing Scope of Review for Claim Construction
- Williams Mullen Recognized by Chambers USA for 2014
- Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2014 North Carolina Legal Elite
- Stop Paying the Troll: Patent Reform Efforts Provide New Weapons For Banks and Financial Services Companies to Combat Bogus Patent Claims
- 100 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2015 Best Lawyers in America
- Rick Matthews talks IP law on Metro Raleigh Business Radio X
- Williams Mullen Welcomes Four First-Year Associates to the Firm
- Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to Virginia Business magazine?s 2014 ?Legal Elite?
- Biotech IP Attorney Dr. David M. Saravitz Joins Williams Mullen
- Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2015 North Carolina ?Legal Elite?
- Supreme Court Cuts Out a Slice of the Federal Circuit?s De Novo Pie
- Intellectual Property: What you need to know and do when entering the US market
- Williams Mullen Continues to Lead in Unmanned Systems with Addition of Respected Geospatial Attorney Kevin Pomfret

- Clearing Up the Confusion as to Preclusion: Supreme Court's Trademark Ruling Gives Deference to the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB)
- Fourth Circuit Cleans Up Damages Award in Paper Towel Dispute and Sets Standard for the Award of Fees in Trademark Cases
- David Saravitz discusses biodefense on Business North Carolina panel
- Williams Mullen Recognized by Chambers USA for 2015
- FDI USA Newsletter - June 2015
- Cybersecurity Standards Apply to Thee, Not Me
- Amy Marino interviewed by WINA about Redskins trademark
- Electrical Engineering Patent Attorney Andrew R. Shores Joins Williams Mullen's IP Team
- Divided Federal Circuit Says U.S.I.T.C. May Exclude Indirectly Infringing Items
- In *FTC v. Wyndham Worldwide*, Third Circuit Upholds FTC Authority to Enforce Flawed Cybersecurity Measures
- Williams Mullen Adds Patent Attorney David Kulik to Growing Intellectual Property Practice
- Do You Know Your IP Rights In Your Imagery and Other Data Products?
- David Kulik Hiring Covered in Law360
- Williams Mullen Supports 17th Annual Southeast BIO Investor & Partnering Forum
- 50 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to Virginia Business magazine's 2015 "Legal Elite"
- FDI USA News - December 2015
- Federal Circuit Rules Lanham Act Prohibition on "Disparaging" Trademarks is Unconstitutional, but The Slants Case is No Guaranteed Win for the Redskins
- Mike Sajovec Brings Nearly 30 Years of Intellectual Property Experience to Williams Mullen
- Mike Sajovec Hiring Covered by Law360
- Seven Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2016 North Carolina "Legal Elite"
- 12 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2016 North Carolina Super Lawyers
- Williams Mullen Announces the Election of Eight New Partners
- 56 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2016 Virginia Super Lawyers; 22 Named 2016 Rising Stars
- A Truly "Uniform" Trade Secrets Statute May Not be a Pipedream for Long
- Recent Changes to Community Trade Mark May Impact International Trademark Owners
- Latest "Ransomware" Attack Affects Hospital Data "How Secure Are Your Patient Data?"
- Dr. Rebecca Hammond Joins Williams Mullen's Intellectual Property Practice
- 26 Williams Mullen Attorneys, 11 Practice Areas Recognized by Chambers USA for 2016
- Williams Mullen Grows Intellectual Property Practice with Addition of Marc Pollak
- In *Halo Electronics v. Pulse Electronics*, Supreme Court Strikes Down Seagate Test for Enhanced Damages Under Section 284 of the Patent Act.
- Biosimilar "Patent Dance" Does Not Permit Sidestepping of 180-Day Notice
- No Harm, Yes Foul: FTC Rules Risk of Consumer Harm Sufficient to Find LabMD Liable for Security Breach.
- Intellectual Property Attorney Andy Kozusko Moves South to Williams Mullen
- 100 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2017 Best Lawyers in America
- Nine Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2017 "Lawyers of the Year" by Best Lawyers®
- Williams Mullen Ranked Nationally in 15 Legal Practices by U.S. News "Best Lawyers" Best Law Firms? 2017
- Williams Mullen Welcomes Three First-Year Associates

- 50 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to Virginia Business magazine's 2016 "Legal Elite"
- Eight Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to Business North Carolina's "Legal Elite" in 2017
- 10 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to the 2017 North Carolina Super Lawyers List
- 54 Williams Mullen Attorneys Named to 2017 Virginia Super Lawyers List; 21 Named 2017 Rising Stars
- Back to the Future: Supreme Court Narrows Patent Venue in TC Heartland Case and Returns Dispute to State of Incorporation or Where Defendant Has Regular and Established Place of Business
- 32 Williams Mullen Attorneys, 12 Practice Areas Recognized by Chambers USA for 2017
- Amy Marino Analyzes Impact of SCOTUS Decision on Washington Redskins with NewsRadio WINA
- 113 Williams Mullen Attorneys Listed in The Best Lawyers in America 2018
- Nine Williams Mullen Attorneys Named 2018 "Lawyers of the Year" by The Best Lawyers in America
- Rob Van Arnam and Mike Sajovec Discuss Patent Infringement Suit Against TaylorMade with GolfWRX
- Selling Unmanned Systems Products and Services to the Government
- Williams Mullen Helps ivWatch Secure Licensing and Distribution Agreement with Global Manufacturer
- Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) - Designate Your Agent.
- Williams Mullen Ranked Nationally in 14 Practice Areas by U.S. News "Best Lawyers" "Best Law Firms" 2018

Related Events

- Unique Perspectives in Protecting Intellectual Property in Government Contracting
- Selling Unmanned Systems Products and Services to Federal, State and Local Government Agencies
- Seminar: Technology as a Component of Strategic Planning and Risk Avoidance
- Expanding to the US Market in 2017: Challenges and Opportunities
- Driving IT Innovation - Triangle Technology Executives Council Panel
- Exit Planning Exchange - Maximizing & Protecting Value, Part I
- Seminar: Mitigating Risk in Vendor Technology Contracts
- Digital Fight or Flight - Enforcing Your Rights (and Exercising Restraint) Against the Internet's Squatters, Haters, and Infringers
- North Carolina Bar Association Intellectual Property Section - Annual Meeting
- United States Patent and Trademark Office Fall Patent Quality Discussion Series
- PEDC Training: IP Blunders and How to Avoid Them
- Patent Law Symposium
- Seminar: Emerging Trends in Cybersecurity
- Forward Focus: Making Your Campaign Sing
- Seminar: Emerging Trends in Cybersecurity
- Business Litigation and Intellectual Property

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