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PARTNER

Robert Isackson is an accomplished front-line IP litigator who approaches client service by working with the client to identify the problem in the business context. Then, using his diverse experience to bring a fresh perspective, he identifies key issues and develops creative and cost-effective strategies that align with the client's business objectives to move its business forward. Providing front end clarity to reduce and manage client risk, Rob has nine patent and two arbitration trials under his belt and led litigation teams in over sixty patent and other IP cases filed in more than twenty states. Rob also translates his broad litigation experience to help clients with IP due diligence, freedom-to-operate opinions, procurement, and transactions. He has obtained more than two hundred U.S. patents and advised on dozens of IP deals and various technologies. In its 2021 rankings, IAM Patent 1000 said this: "Isackson applies a practical, common-sense approach and has the ability to explain complex matters simply, yet precisely. Unlike many lawyers, he doesn't equivocate, but provides direct and useful advice. He is insightful about how intellectual property can be employed to drive value for a company."

Beyond client work, Rob is President of the New York Intellectual Property Law Association, a Board Member since 2015, and active on its Amicus and Legislation committees. Since 2012 he has served on the Intellectual Property Owners Association Amicus and Trade Secret Committees. Rob has helped author over a dozen amicus briefs and regularly speaks on IP issues, from ethics to biosimilars, at association meetings. Rob holds J.D. and B.S.E.E. degrees from the University of Michigan. Before law school, Rob fried circuits in an electronics design lab, worked in an auto factory, and washed dishes at a Utah ski resort, which encouraged him to meld his passion for technology with advocacy to become an IP lawyer.



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Education

- University of Michigan Law School, J.D., 1982
- University of Michigan College of Engineering, B.S.E., Electrical Engineering, magna cum laude, 1978

Bar Admissions

- New York
- Registered Patent Attorney: U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- Pro Hac Vice admissions in other U.S. District Courts

Court Admissions (Continued)

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit
- U.S. Supreme Court

Experience

- Venable LLP, Partner, 2016-2018
- Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, Partner, 1995-2016
- Davis, Hoxie, Faithfull & Hapgood LLP, Partner, 1991-1995
- Fish & Neave, Associate, 1982-1991

Memberships

- New York Intellectual Property Law Association (NYIPLA), President, Board of Directors, Member
 - Amicus Briefs Committee (former Co-Chair), Member
 - Legislative Action Committee, Member
 - Litigation Committee, Member, 2010-2016
- Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO), Member
 - Amicus Committee (by invitation)
 - Trade Secrets Committee (former Vice- Chair)
 - U.S. Patent Law Committee

Community Service

- University of Michigan, Alumni Recruiter
- The Community Chest serving Englewood, Tenafly and Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, Board of Managers, 2007-2016
- Tenafly United Soccer Club, Coach, 2006-2011

Honors

- Intellectual Asset Management Patent 1000 rankings
- New York Law Journal-Martindale-Hubbell Top AV Rating, AV Preeminent Rating
- Managing Intellectual Property IP Star
- New York Super Lawyers
- Euromoney's LMG Clean Tech/Renewable Energy IP Star
- Chambers USA Leading Lawyer in Intellectual Property Patent Litigation
- The Legal 500 Leading Lawyer in Intellectual Property: Patent Litigation: Full Coverage
- Tau Beta Pi
- Eta Kappa Nu
- Vulcans Honorary Society