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Areas of Practice

- Intellectual Property
- Patent
- Patent: Medical Devices
- Patent: Electronics & Software
- Patent: Materials Science
- Patent: Mechanical
- Patent: Chemistry
- Patent: Nanotechnologies
- Patent Litigation
- Patent Counseling, Clearance, & Prosecution
- Trademark
- Trademark Litigation
- IP Litigation
- IP Licensing
- IP Due Diligence
- Copyright

Education

University of San Francisco
School of Law, J.D., 1992,
Moot Court; American
Jurisprudence Award in
International Law

California Polytechnic State
University at Pomona,
M.B.A., 1990

John V. Hanley

John V. Hanley is a partner in the Century City office of Steptoe & Johnson LLP, where he is a member of the Intellectual Property Group, concentrating on patent, trademark, trade dress, and copyright law. Mr. Hanley leads the west coast patent litigation team and serves as Practice Group Leader of the firm’s Medical Device group.

Over the years, Mr. Hanley has practiced primarily in the area of intellectual property while servicing diverse clients from various fields of endeavor. He has been active in counseling clients from small start-up companies to Fortune 500 companies and has taken a particular pride in meeting clients' needs and expectations. Before practicing law, Mr. Hanley worked as an engineer and in project management for Beckman Instruments, a manufacturer of automated medical instrumentation.

Mr. Hanley specializes in the prosecution and litigation of patents, trademarks and copyrights throughout the world. His practice covers a broad range of technologies including optics, mechanical and electronic arts, Ecommerce/Internet, and systems. Additionally, Mr. Hanley is well-versed in the medical device industry having prosecuted and enforced medical device patents in areas relating to treating neurovasculature and cardiovascular as well as orthopedics.

Mr. Hanley has extensive experience in conducting patent clearance studies and rendering opinions concerning patent validity and infringement. He also has substantial experience in conducting studies concerning trademarks and copyrights and in licensing matters across all fields of intellectual property. Additionally, he has been involved in litigation both at the district and appellate levels and has patent trial and mediation experience.

Noteworthy

- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers*, Intellectual Property: Patent (California), 2011
- *Daily Journal's* Top 25 Intellectual Property Portfolio Managers and Patent Prosecutors in California, 2011
- *Daily Journal's* Top 25 Biotech Lawyers in California, 2011

Representative Matters

Some of Mr. Hanley's representative matters include:

- *Newport Controls v. Balboa Instruments* (C.D. Cal.) – Representing Balboa Instruments in a patent infringement action involving spa controllers.

John V. Hanley

University of California - San Diego, B.S. in Applied Mechanics and Engineering Sciences, 1985

Bar & Court Admissions

California

US District Court for the Northern District of California

US District Court for the Southern District of California

US District Court for the Central District of California

US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

US Patent and Trademark Office

- *Balboa Instruments, Inc. v. Consumer Engineering, Inc.* (C.D. Cal.) - Represented Balboa in a patent infringement action involving electronic spa controllers.
- *Balboa Instruments, Inc. v. Presair, LLC* (C.D. Cal.) - Represented Balboa in a patent infringement action involving circuit board construction and electronic spa controllers.
- *Sorensen v. Alltrade Tools LLC* (S.D. Cal.) - Represented Alltrade Tools in a patent infringement action concerning injection molding technologies. Successfully obtained a dismissal of the patent infringement action.
- *Panelite Inc. v. Vehicle Safety* (S.D. Cal.) - Represented Panelite in a patent infringement action concerning light designs.
- *New Tech Stainless Steel Products Co. Ltd. v. Sun Manufacturing Corporation* (C.D. Cal.) - Represented Sun Manufacturing in an infringement action involving manufactured products.
- *Panelite Inc. v. Panor* (C.D. Cal.) - Represented Panelite in a patent infringement action involving ornamental light designs.
- *David M. Duckett v. Equine Digit Support, et al* - Represented Equine Digit in a patent infringement action concerning horse products.
- *Siege Industries, Inc. v. Balboa Instruments, Inc.* (S.D. Tex.) - Represented Balboa in a patent infringement action concerning electronic spa controllers.
- *Sherwood Medical Co. v. Alaris Medical Systems* (S.D. Cal.) - Represented Alaris in a patent infringement action concerning temperature probe covers.
- *General Surgical v. Origin Medsystems* (N.D. Cal.) - Represented Origin Medsystems in a patent infringement action involving medical devices.
- *Hess v. Advanced Cardiovascular Systems* (N.D. Cal.) - Represented ACS in a patent dispute concerning inventorship.
- *Ormco Corporation v. Lancer Orthodontics, Inc.* (26 F.3d 137) (1994) - Represented Lancer in a patent infringement action relating to orthodontic brackets.

Professional Affiliations

Member, American Bar Association

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