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### **Oliver L. Edwards Associate**

Mr. Edwards is involved in all phases of intellectual property law, including United States and foreign patent prosecution, patent litigation in the federal courts, licensing, and general client counseling. His counseling practice includes patentability, infringement, validity, and enforceability analyses and opinions; licensing of patents; and intellectual property due diligence. Mr. Edwards has lengthy industry experience with computer, communications, and integrated circuit technologies.

Mr. Edwards earned dual B.S. degrees in electrical engineering and computer engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia in 1985. Mr. Edwards is a registered professional engineer in Maryland and has more than 15 years industry experience designing high-performance computers systems, integrated circuits, board-level systems, and related software and database systems. His design expertise includes internet, cryptographic and other communications protocols and he is experienced in many computer programming languages. Mr. Edwards has taught courses in computer systems architecture, integrated circuit design, and mathematics.

Mr. Edwards earned his J.D. degree from the University of Maryland (cum laude) and received the national Order of Barristers honor.

Mr. Edwards is a member of the American Bar Association (member of Intellectual Property Law, Science and Technology Law, and Litigation sections), the American Intellectual Property Law Association, and the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (member of IEEE Computer Society and corresponding member of IEEE-USA Intellectual Property Committee).

#### **Areas of Concentration**

- Litigation
- Patent Prosecution
  - Computer hardware and software
  - Communications
  - Internet, e-commerce, business methods
  - Secured systems
  - Electrical
  - Mechanical
- Counseling
- Licensing and Transactions

#### **Education**

- B.S. Electrical Engineering from University of Missouri-Columbia – 1985
- B.S. Computer Engineering from University of Missouri-Columbia – 1985
- Graduate mathematics and engineering coursework at University of Maryland-College Park – 1987-1990
- J.D. from University of Maryland – 2006 (cum laude)

**Bar Admissions**

- Maryland State Bar
- District of Columbia Bar
- Registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office

**Court Admissions**

- United States District Court for the District of Maryland
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit