



Teague Donahey

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Teague Donahey has over 25 years of major law firm experience litigating and trying high-stakes intellectual property matters and other complex business disputes for technology companies.

PRACTICES

Intellectual Property Litigation
Intellectual Property
Trade Secrets and Non-Competes

EDUCATION

George Washington University School of Law, J.D., 1998

Recipient, Marcus B. Finnegan Prize
(Intellectual Property Law)

Notes Editor, AIPLA Quarterly Journal

Amherst College, B.A., 1992

Political Science
cum laude

BAR ADMISSIONS

Idaho
California

COURT ADMISSIONS

United States Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans
Claims

U.S. District Court for the District of Idaho

U.S. District Court for the Northern
District of California

U.S. District Court for the Central District
of California

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District
of California

U.S. District Court for the Southern
District of California

Teague represents his clients in federal and state courts, administrative bodies such as the U.S. International Trade Commission, and in connection with appeals. He also regularly counsels clients on intellectual property strategy issues.

Prior to joining the firm, Teague was a partner with Sidley Austin LLP in San Francisco and previous to that worked with a firm in Silicon Valley.

EXPERIENCE

Patent Litigation

Teague regularly represents clients in patent litigation matters throughout the United States in both federal courts and in United States International Trade Commission (ITC) "Section 337" investigations. His patent cases have involved a variety of cutting-edge technologies, including:

- Consumer electronic devices
- Computer hardware and software
- Semiconductors, including design, manufacturing, and packaging
- Telecommunications
- Energy
- Medical devices

Trademarks & Copyrights

Teague counsels businesses engaged in trademark and copyright disputes and represents clients in litigation in federal courts and pertinent administrative venues.

Other Complex Business Litigation

Teague has experience litigating a variety of other complex business litigation matters, such as matters involving:

- Unfair Competition
- Breach of Contract
- Fraud

- Antitrust
- Trade Secrets

CLIENT RESULTS

Some recent examples of Teague's litigation matters at Holland & Hart include, among others:

- *In the Matter of Certain Pillows and Seat Cushions, Components Thereof, and Packaging Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-1328 (ITC): Secured ITC determination of patent infringement against foreign respondents and the issuance of a General Exclusion Order barring infringing pillow products from entry into the United States regardless of source.
- *Konami Gaming, Inc. v. High 5 Games, LLC* (D. Nev.; Fed. Cir.): Defended gaming technology client in patent infringement action. Obtained summary judgment of patent invalidity of all four asserted patents. Summary judgment ruling was affirmed on appeal after oral argument before the Federal Circuit.
- *Rhino Metals, Inc. v. Sturdy Gun Safe, Inc.* (D. Idaho): Represented gun safe manufacturer in design patent and trade dress infringement action. Settlement.
- *PLC Trenching Co., LLC v. IM Services Group, LLC* (D. Idaho): Represented energy infrastructure company in patent infringement case. After a motion for preliminary injunction was denied, the action was voluntarily dismissed by the plaintiff.
- *Rhino Metals, Inc. v. Kodiak Safe Company* (D. Idaho): Obtained preliminary injunction, default judgment, and full award of attorneys' fees in trademark infringement dispute.
- *Harris v. Meiling* (D. Nev.; C.D. Cal.; Orange Cty. Sup. Ct.): Obtained removal of putative class action from state court, transfer of action to District of Nevada, subsequent dismissal of action in its entirety on res judicata grounds, and a full award of attorneys' fees.

Additional examples of Teague's experience prior to joining Holland & Hart include:

- *Universal Electronics, Inc. v. Universal Remote Control, Inc.* (C.D. Cal.): Trial counsel for electronics client in patent infringement action involving universal remote control technology. After a two week trial, the jury found in client's favor on all claims and affirmative defenses, resulting in a decision of non-infringement, invalidity, and unenforceability based on patent misuse and unclean hands. Subsequent motion for attorneys' fees granted.
- *In the Matter of Certain Semiconductor Chips With Minimized Chip Package Size and Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-605 (ITC) and *Tessera, Inc. v. Advanced Micro Devices, Inc., et al.* (N.D. Cal.): Defended multinational semiconductor manufacturer in parallel patent infringement actions in ITC and district court involving semiconductor packaging technologies. Was partner responsible for non-infringement issues in action involving novel

court-appointed expert (“CAE”) procedures. After CAE agreed that all asserted patents were not infringed and invalid, the parties entered into a settlement agreement.

- *In the Matter of Certain Integrated Solar Power Systems and Components Thereof*, Inv. No. 337-TA-811 (ITC): Led team defending major solar panel manufacturer in ITC Section 337 patent infringement investigation. The investigation was terminated after the parties entered into a settlement agreement during discovery.
- *In the Matter of Certain Encapsulated Integrated Circuit Devices and Products Containing Same*, Inv. No. 337-TA-501 (ITC) and *Amkor Technology, Inc. v. Carsem (M) Sdn Bhd et al.* (N.D. Cal.): Represented leading semiconductor company in parallel patent infringement actions in ITC and district court involving semiconductor packaging technologies. After the ITC entered an exclusion order barring the adversary's infringing products from being imported into the United States, the parties entered into a settlement agreement.
- *Eolas Technologies Inc. v. Adobe Systems, Inc., et al.* (E.D. Tex.): Defended major consumer electronics company in a patent infringement action involving fundamental World Wide Web technologies. The parties settled prior to trial.
- *EON Corp. IP Holdings, LLC v. T-Mobile USA, Inc., et al.* (E.D. Tex.) and *EON Corp. IP Holdings, LLC v. FLO TV Inc., et al.* (D. Del.): Defended major consumer electronics company in co-pending patent infringement actions involving telecommunications and smartphone technologies. The parties settled prior to trial.
- *In the Matter of Certain Display Devices, Including Digital Televisions and Monitors*, Inv. No. 337-TA-713 (ITC): Defended foreign manufacturer in ITC Section 337 patent infringement investigation involving digital television technologies. The parties settled prior to trial.
- *In the Matter of Certain Wireless Communication System Server Software, Wireless Handheld Devices and Battery Packs*, Inv. No. 337-TA-706 (ITC): Defended major consumer electronics company in ITC Section 337 patent infringement investigation involving various smartphone technologies. The parties settled prior to trial.

PUBLICATIONS

"Apple Watch Patent Wars Create a Defensive Roadmap for ITC Respondents," *IP Watchdog*, April 26, 2024

"The Continuing Importance of the United States International Trade Commission as a Venue for Intellectual Property Enforcement," *The Advocate*, September 2022

"An Update on Federal Trademark Damages Law: Why Additional Clarity Is Needed and May Soon Be Forthcoming," *The Advocate*, September 2019

"The Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) and the Supreme Court: How *Oil States* Threatens to Reverse Congressional Efforts to Reform Patent Litigation," *The Advocate*, November/December 2017

"Supreme Court Decision Has Considerable Import for Idaho Business (re: TC Heartland, LLC v. Kraft Foods Group Brands LLC)," *Idaho Business Review*, May 2017

"Expanding Horizon of Section 337 Jurisdiction," *Intellectual Property Magazine*, June 7, 2016

"Inside The Defend Trade Secrets Act," *Law360*, April 2016

"From Enphase to Wanxiang, How Cleantech Companies Are Building Patent Portfolios," *GreentechMedia.com*, 2014

"U.S. Anti-Dumping Actions Open Solar Sector to Patent Lawsuits," *Solar Industry Magazine*, November 2014

"Expect Patent Disputes to Accelerate As Clean Energy Expands: What can we learn from patent conflicts in other industries?," *GreentechMedia.com*, 2014

"Frequently Asked Antitrust Questions," *ABA Book Publ. 2d Ed., Chapter Contributor*, 2013

"The Risks of Patent Infringement Damages to Global Businesses," *China Business Review*, 2013

"Realtek v. LSI: Will ITC Defer To District Court?," *Law360*, 2013

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

"Developments in Patent Litigation: 2021," *Association of Corporate Counsel, Mountain West Chapter, In-House Counsel Forum*, Remote, Winter 2021

"Developments in Intellectual Property," *Federal Bar Association Tri-State Bar Conference*, Remote, Spring 2021

"Developments in Intellectual Property," Moderator, *Federal Bar Association 16th Annual Tri-State Bar Conference*, Moderator, Wyoming, Idaho, and Utah Chapters, Spring 2021

"What You Need to Know About Copyright Compliance," *Idaho Health Care Association Winter Workshop*, Boise, ID, Winter 2019

"Intellectual Property 2016," *Federal Bar Association Tri-State Conference*, Sun Valley, ID, Fall 2016

"Strategies for Handling Patent Trolls," *Retail Law Conference 2014*, Charlotte, NC, Fall 2014

RECOGNITION

- The Best Lawyers in America®, Litigation - Intellectual Property, 2018-2023
- Idaho Business Review, Leaders in Law, 2023
- Mountain States Super Lawyers®, Intellectual Property Litigation, 2017-2023
- Northern California Super Lawyers®, Intellectual Property Litigation, 2012–2015
- Idaho State Bar Denise O'Donnell-Day Pro Bono Award, 2021

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association, Member
- Federal Bar Association, Member
- American Intellectual Property Law Association, Member
- Idaho State Bar, Intellectual Property Law Section, Member
- Idaho Technology Council, Member
- Richard C. Fields American Inn of Court, Member
- Teague is also active in pro bono matters on behalf of military veterans, having worked regularly with the National Veterans Legal Services Program and Swords to Plowshares to provide legal counseling in connection with proceedings before the Board of Veterans Appeals and the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. Teague is accredited with the Veterans Administration.