



## Charles T. Steenburg

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#### Education

Harvard College, AB,  
Chemistry, *magna cum  
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Harvard Law School, JD,  
*cum laude*

#### Practice Groups

Chemical & Materials  
Technologies

#### Litigation

Pharmaceutical

Post-Grant Proceedings

Charlie Steenburg works with clients in patent litigation, trade secret cases and other contested matters. He has extensive experience representing clients in district court and also at the International Trade Commission, where he played a key role in securing recent successes for our clients Sony Corporation and BTG plc. He has also worked on a series of reexamination and inter partes review requests while coordinating related litigations and ensuring that the post grant strategy complements the litigation strategy.

Charlie previously served as a legal intern in the Connecticut Attorney General's office, where he assisted with litigation arising from a quasi-public state agency's loss of \$220 million in Enron's collapse. He also worked as a summer associate at Pfizer Global Research and Development, where he carried out organic chemistry synthesis projects as part of Pfizer's efforts to develop cheaper and more efficient ways to produce drugs under development.

While attending Harvard College, Charlie carried out a series of research projects concerning atmospheric and computational chemistry.

#### Client testimonial:

"Charlie Steenburg has a great mastery of the law, and when I have questions about legal issues I go to him and get the quick and accurate response I need. He's one of the best legal resources I have now."

## Experience

- Day-to-day case lead on multiple International Trade Commission and district court cases involving graphics processing, Internet communications protocols, computer software, and liquid crystal displays. Worked extensively with experts and client witnesses.

- Key team member on patent infringement and trade secret case concerning software for tracking advertising effectiveness. Helped defeat preliminary injunction motion and later secure summary judgment of non-infringement and no trade secret violation.
- Architected various reexamination and inter partes review requests. Part of trial team in case that resulted in judgments totaling \$14.7 million against companies infringing medical method patent.
- Primary drafter in appeal that resulted in Federal Circuit vacating Patent Office's obviousness rejection of claims covering pharmaceutical compositions. Later worked up issued patent for assertion.

## Activities

- Boston IP Inn of Court

## Recognition

- Phi Beta Kappa
- Editor, *Harvard Journal of Law and Technology* and *Harvard Environmental Law Review*
- Repeatedly named to the list of Massachusetts Rising Stars by Super Lawyers in the field of intellectual property law