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Board certified by the Florida Bar as an Intellectual Property (IP) Law Specialist, Mindi litigates IP cases of all types around the country, including trademark, patent, and copyright infringement, as well as trade secret misappropriation, unfair competition, and domain name disputes. Mindi also frequently handles trademark cases before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

She routinely counsels clients in developing patent, copyright, and trademark portfolios and handles trademark and copyright prosecution matters. Mindi also guides clients in:

- Negotiating, developing, and drafting licenses
- Assignments and other IP contracts
- Evaluating the IP aspects of mergers, acquisitions, and financings

In addition to her IP practice, Mindi also counsels clients and litigates issues such as defamation, rights of privacy and publicity, reporters' rights, subpoena defense, and the First Amendment.

Outside of the office, Mindi enjoys spending time outdoors, playing golf, and boating.

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Florida, 2007

Illinois, 2004

United States Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit, 2014

United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, 2007

United States District Court, Southern District of Florida, 2012

United States Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit, 2010

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Leadership Florida, Cornerstone Class 42, 2024-2025
- Leadership St. Pete® 2023 Class, Member
- Hillsborough County Bar Association, Co-Chair, Intellectual Property Section
- Hillsborough County Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division
- Federal Bar Association, Chair, Intellectual Property Committee for the Tampa Bay Chapter
- The Florida Bar
- ReliaQuest Bowl, Board of Directors Vice Chair, Selection Committee, 2026- 2027
- St. Pete Economic Development Corporation, Investor Relations Committee
- Tampa Bay Economic Development Council, Marketing Committee
- The First Tee of Tampa Bay, Advisory Board and Board of Directors
- Tampa Connection, Class of 2009

HONORS

- *WTR 1000: the World's Leading Trademark Professionals*, 2024
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, Fellow
- *Best Lawyers in America*, 2018-2026
- Best Lawyers "Tampa Litigation – Intellectual Property Lawyer of the Year," 2026; "Tampa Copyright Lawyer of the Year," 2025
- Florida Super Lawyer by *Super Lawyers* magazine, 2020-2026
- *Florida Trend*, Legal Elite Notable Managing Partner, 2026
- Florida Rising Star by *Super Lawyers* magazine, 2009-2019
- Florida Legal Elite by *Florida Trend* magazine, 2016-2017
- Tampa YWCA 2020 Volunteer of the Year Award

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