

## Tom BenGera

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An intellectual property (IP) lawyer, Tom has represented some of the world's premier multinational corporations on both the offensive and defensive sides of trademark, patent, and copyright law disputes. He represents and counsels technology clients in a wide range of IP matters, including pre-suit diligence, fact and expert discovery, motion practice, depositions, and at trial. He has shepherded the negotiation of numerous agreements and transactions relating to all forms of IP.

His practice experience includes:

- Representing clients in federal courts across the country, including California, Delaware, Texas, and Nevada
- Cases involving advanced technologies, including 3G/4G communications, database management systems, semiconductor technology, and consumer products
- Advising defense-related companies on navigating export controls
- Serving defense contractors and sub-contractors, including in the areas of military equipment (land, air, sea, and cyber), as well as the fast-developing regulatory framework for artificial intelligence
- Advising clients on registering with the Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, developing compliance programs, and negotiating agreements between prime and sub-

### SERVICE LINE

Intellectual Property

### INDUSTRY SECTOR

Technology

### PRIMARY LOCATION

Charlotte, NC

### EDUCATION

J.D., Brooklyn Law School

B.S., College of New Jersey

contractors

During law school, Tom served as Brooklyn Law School's Trade Secrets Institute fellow and also worked at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society at Harvard University, where he championed the rights of Cambridge-area start-ups.

## BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

North Carolina, 2021

New Jersey, 2014

New York, 2014

U.S. District Court, New Jersey

U.S. District Court, Southern District, New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District, New York

U.S. District Court, Eastern District, North Carolina

U.S. District Court, Middle District, North Carolina

U.S. District Court, Western District, North Carolina

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

## PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- MYLE Legal Outreach, Debate Coach
- Immigration Court Observation Project (ICOP)

## HONORS

- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, 2022, 2024-2026
- *Journal of Law & Policy*, Executive Article Editor
- Trade Secrets Institute, Fellow