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AREAS OF FOCUS

Patent preparation and prosecution related to medical devices and mechanical technologies, counseling, licensing and enforcement; due diligence studies; and opinions regarding infringement, validity and enforceability of patents

Mr. Crawford has extensive experience preparing and prosecuting patent applications in a wide variety of arts. He conducts freedom-to-operate, infringement and validity studies, prepares and negotiates licenses and other agreements, and prosecutes trademark and copyright applications.

Mr. Crawford has provided services in a diverse range of technologies including medical devices and surgical instruments, aircraft systems and engines, hydraulic systems, semiconductor processing equipment, transmissions, welding equipment and lasers.

Prior to becoming a patent attorney, Mr. Crawford was a Design Engineer at GE Aircraft Engines for ten years where he had primary responsibility for various turbine components used in military aircraft engines.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- NKU Chase College of Law, Transactional Law Practice Center (Founding Partner 2011; Board of Advisors 2010-)
- American Bar Association
- National Conference of Bar Presidents (Executive Council, 2009-11)
- Metropolitan Bar Caucus (Executive Committee, 2008-11)
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- The Missouri Bar
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (President, 2008-09; Executive Committee, 2002- ; Board of Governors, 2000- ; Chair, Patent, Trademark and Copyright Section, 2000-01)
- St. Louis Bar Foundation (Board of Directors, 2007-; Golden Anniversary Fellow, 2006; Distinguished Fellow, 2001)
- Mound City Bar Association
- Lawyers for Equality
- Engineers' Club of St. Louis (Director, 1997-99)
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers (Chair, St. Louis Section, 2000-01)

PRO BONO AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- *Pro bono* patent and copyright applications for St. Louis Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts clients
- *Pro bono* guardian *ad Litum* for indigent families
- *Pro bono* orders of protection for indigent domestic abuse victims
- Rotary Club of Des Peres (President, 2002-03)
- Talking/Tapes Textbooks on Tape (Board of Directors, 2003-05)
- Harris House, a 99 bed addiction rehabilitation facility (Board of Directors 2010-)

EDUCATION

Northern Kentucky University, Salmon P. Chase College, Law Review (J.D., 1993)
University of Cincinnati (M.S., Engineering, 1987)
The Ohio State University, Tau Beta Pi, (B.S., Mechanical Engineering, 1983)

BAR INFORMATION

Ohio Supreme Court, admitted 1993 (inactive 2011-)
Missouri Supreme Court, admitted 1994
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office, admitted 1994

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- *BAMSL Year an Unconditional Success*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, April 2009
- *Dear Young Lawyer*, The President's Page, St. Louis Bar Journal, Spring 2009
- *BAMSL Helping in Economic Crises*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, March 2009
- *Justice Sandra Day O'Connor*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, February 2009
- *BAMSL Staying at Home*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, January 2009
- *An Historical Perspective*, The President's Page, St. Louis Bar Journal, Winter 2009
- *Our Two Annual Holiday Parties*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, December 2008
- *Pursuing Fiscal Responsibility*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, November 2008
- *Introducing Two New Valuable Member Benefits*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, October 2008
- *Greening of the Law*, The President's Page, St. Louis Bar Journal, Fall 2008
- *The First 100 Days or So*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, September 2008
- *He's Not a Real Lawyer; He's a Patent Lawyer*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, August 2008
- *Rule of Law*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, July 2008
- *Lawyer Addiction and Depression*, The President's Page, St. Louis Bar Journal, Summer 2008
- *Pro Bono*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, June 2008
- *Unity and Inclusiveness*, President's Message, Saint Louis Lawyer, May 2008
- *Protecting Trademarks and Copyrights on the Internet*, St. Louis Bar Journal, Spring 1997

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. Crawford frequently speaks to groups of lawyers, engineers, students and businesspersons regarding various aspects of intellectual property, including at events sponsored by the National Conference of Bar Presidents, Metropolitan Bar Caucus, Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association, St. Louis University, Washington University in St. Louis, the Engineers Club of St. Louis and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.