

## George C. Beck

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George C. Beck is a partner and intellectual property lawyer with Foley & Lardner LLP. His practice extends to all aspects of intellectual property law. He currently focuses his practice on patent counseling, procurement, and post-grant proceedings before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

George has prepared and prosecuted patent applications in a variety of technical areas, including consumer electronics, liquid crystal display technology, telecommunications, semiconductor devices and manufacturing, semiconductor manufacturing test equipment, and business methods. He is a member of the firm's Electronics Practice and Patent Office Trials Practice.

George has participated in patent and trade secret litigation matters in various district courts and the International Trade Commission. Representative experience includes the successful defense of a memory device manufacturer in *ITC Investigation No. 337-TA-630, In the Matter of Certain Semiconductor Chips With Minimized Chip Package Size and Products Containing Same (III)*.

George has worked extensively on various reissue applications *ex parte* and *inter partes* reexamination matters, and *inter partes* review proceedings. Representative experience includes the successful challenge of all claims of three liquid chromatography patents in *inter partes* reexaminations 95/000,495, -496, and -497, and the Federal Circuit's affirmance of the PTO's decision in *Scientific Plastic Products, Inc. v. Biotage AB*, Appeal No. 2013-1219.

George served as a patent examiner at the United States Patent & Trademark Office from 1989 to 1990. In this capacity, he examined inventions utilizing photocells, including applications involving auto focus cameras, semiconductor devices with photosensitive components, photocopiers, and security systems.

### Awards and Recognition

In 2014, *The Legal 500* recognized Mr. Beck for his work in the area of sports.

## Affiliations

George currently is a member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association, the American Bar Association, and the Society for Information Display.

## Sectors

- Energy
- Innovative Technology
- Racial Justice & Equity
- Sports & Entertainment

## Practice Areas

- Business Method & Software Patents
- Electronics
- IP Litigation
- ITC Section 337 Proceedings
- Intellectual Property
- Mechanical & Electromechanical Technologies
- PTAB Trials
- Patent Litigation
- Trademark, Copyright & Advertising Litigation

## Education

- Georgetown University (J.D., 1993)
  - Notes and Comments Editor, *Georgetown Immigration Law Journal*
- Georgetown University (B.S., magna cum laude, 1989)
  - Physics
  - Government
  - Phi Beta Kappa
  - Alpha Sigma Nu

## Admissions

- District of Columbia before the Federal Circuit
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Various U.S. district courts