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Maggie Szewczyk is a litigator in the firm's Intellectual Property practice group, representing clients in complex intellectual property matters in federal and appellate courts throughout the United States and at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. She also has experience representing clients in matters before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB).

Maggie prosecutes and defends against claims of infringement for patents, copyrights and trademarks encompassing a wide array of industries and technologies. In addition to handling all aspects of pre-trial litigation, including preparing noninfringement and invalidity opinions, Maggie is also instrumental in all phases of litigation including taking and defending depositions, drafting dispositive motions, and trial. She also counsels clients on a variety of other intellectual property matters, including patent and trademark counseling, due diligence and licensing.

### EDUCATION

- Southern Illinois University School of Law (J.D., *Dean's List*, 2015)
  - SIU Academic Scholarship
  - CALI Excellence for the Future Awards
- Saint Louis University (B.A., 2009)
  - Communications, Marketing
- University of Missouri-St. Louis
  - Chemistry

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- The Missouri Bar
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis
- American Bar Association
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- St. Louis Volunteer Lawyers and Accountants for the Arts

### BACKGROUND

While in law school, Maggie worked at the firm as an intellectual property litigation clerk. She also served as a judicial extern for the Honorable Michael J. Reagan, Chief

### SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Intellectual Property  
Intellectual Property Litigation  
E-Discovery  
Trademark  
Copyright  
Post Grant Proceedings  
Litigation  
Technology

### ADMISSIONS

Missouri  
U.S. District Court, Western  
District of Missouri  
U.S. District Court, Eastern  
District of Missouri  
U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal  
Circuit

Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

## **EXPERIENCE**

### **Successful Defense of Game-Changing Technology for Agricultural Manufacturer**

Successfully defended game-changing agricultural equipment patents before the USPTO during reexamination related to a pending infringement suit in which the major manufacturer is the plaintiff.

### **Favorable Result in DMCA Copyright Case**

Obtained an order dismissing claims for secondary copyright infringement against an internet service provider (ISP) and its management company. The plaintiffs sought to hold the clients liable for copyright infringement allegedly committed by the ISP's subscribers through peer-to-peer file-sharing. The U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas dismissed the plaintiffs' vicarious infringement claims against the ISP with prejudice, and ordered that all claims against the management company be dismissed with prejudice.

### **Summary Judgment in Copyright Infringement Lawsuit**

Obtained summary judgment in a copyright infringement lawsuit brought by a client's former vendor in the Western District of Missouri. The plaintiffs claimed an online system developed by one of the client's vendors infringed its copyrights and sought damages potentially in the hundreds of millions of dollars from the client and other users of the platform. After two and a half years of litigation, the district court granted the defendants' motion for summary judgment, holding that the defendants had not copied any protectable elements of the plaintiffs' platform and thus did not infringe the plaintiffs' copyrights.

### **Secured Dismissal for Biometric Solution Client in Patent Infringement Case**

Obtained voluntary dismissal with prejudice of a patent infringement case brought by a patent assertion entity against biometric solution client.