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As a member of Armstrong Teasdale's Intellectual Property practice, Mike Munsell provides tailored and focused representation to emerging companies and mature businesses. He counsels clients on patent acquisition, licensing and enforcement, product clearance, freedom-to-operate, validity, due diligence and general business matters.

Practicing before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since 1997, Mike actively engages in the preparation, prosecution and enforcement of U.S., PCT and foreign patents. Mike has patent experience in technologies including aerospace, HVAC systems, semiconductor wafer manufacturing, solar devices, batteries, bioenergy production, agricultural equipment and software, electric motors and controls, mining systems, medical devices including surgical instruments, orthopedic implants and nuclear imaging products.

With a range of experience in patent and trademark enforcement matters, Mike regularly counsels clients regarding enforcement options in the U.S. and in foreign jurisdictions. He has significant experience in patent reexaminations and in managing concurrent proceedings in U.S. courts and the Patent Office.

Mike also works closely with inventors and businesses in patent portfolio strategy and development, licensing and monetization. In general business matters, he counsels clients regarding due diligence, mergers and acquisitions, and joint development agreements.

#### **EDUCATION**

- University of Missouri School of Law (J.D., 1997)
  - o Missouri Law Review (1997)
  - o Missouri Journal of Dispute Resolution (1997)
- Missouri University of Science and Technology (B.S.M.E., 1993)
  - o Mechanical Engineering

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

The Missouri Bar

# CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

# **SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES**

Intellectual Property
Emerging Companies
Intellectual Property Litigation
Mergers and Acquisitions
Patent
Technology Transactions
Trademark
Copyright
Manufacturing and Innovation

Health Care and Life Sciences

# **ADMISSIONS**

Missouri

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

• Alpha Iota Educational Foundation (President)

#### **ACCOLADES**

- IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals (2021-present)
- The Best Lawyers in America®, Patent Law (2017-present)
- Best Patent Attorneys, St. Louis Small Business Monthly (2017)
- Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business for Intellectual Property (2012-2017)

# **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.

# Patent Portfolio Management for Multinational Aerospace Corporation

Managed patent applications relating to semiconductors, avionics, antennas, modeling, simulation, non-destructive testing, flight control systems, communication systems, electronics and unmanned systems.

# **Protection of Global Footwear Company's Intellectual Property**

Represented a global company in the footwear industry regarding the maintenance of its intellectual property portfolio and the protection of its brand.