



Todd Vare is a trial and appellate advocate focused on protecting his clients' intellectual property and counseling on their data security and privacy needs. Todd is client-focused, staunchly loyal to those he serves, and passionate about the law and innovation. He is at his best where advocacy, business and competition intersect.

Todd advocates for his clients in complex, high-stakes litigation involving patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets, technology licensing, software development, data protection and privacy matters. A significant focus of Todd's national trial practice involves patent litigation in some of the busiest patent jurisdictions, including District of Delaware, Eastern District of Texas, Northern District of Illinois, and Central District of California. He has represented clients in a wide variety of technologies, including internet-based systems and processes, LED lighting, online retail systems, telecommunications, integrated circuits, software, cellular antenna systems, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, herbicides and pesticides, dielectric fluids and mechanical devices.

Todd has led teams in jury trials and has briefed and argued numerous Markman, summary judgment motions, and 35 U.S.C. § 101 Alice motions. He also has litigated business disputes involving trademarks, copyrights and trade secrets. His trial work has frequently led to appellate work, including arguing patent cases before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, a copyright case before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and a publicity rights case before the Indiana Court of Appeals. Todd also represents clients before the Patent Trial and Appeals Board (PTAB) in inter partes review matters.

Apart from his litigation work, Todd also counsels clients on cybersecurity and data protection, privacy, computer and software issues, e-commerce processes, and other business technology matters. As co-chair of the firm's Data Security and Privacy practice, Todd works with clients to evaluate their data security needs, develop comprehensive data security plans, and manage responses to data breaches or other cybersecurity incidents.

Todd's passion for trial and appellate advocacy has inspired him to

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EDUCATION

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney
School of Law, (J.D.), summa cum
laude, 1995

Indiana University, (M.B.A.), 1989

Miami University, (B.A.), 1987

BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois

Indiana

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. District Court for the Northern
District of Illinois

U.S. District Court for the Northern
District of Indiana

U.S. District Court for the Southern
District of Indiana

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second
Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh
Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern
District of Texas

LANGUAGES

English

represent many clients, pro bono, in prisoner civil rights cases, asylum petitions and sentencing appeals. In October 2007, a pro bono engagement provided Todd with an opportunity to argue before the U.S. Supreme Court in [U.S. v. Santos](#), which resulted in a victory for his client in a criminal case involving the scope of the federal money laundering statute.

Professional and Community Involvement

Member, International Association of Privacy Professionals

Board of Editors, Pratt's Privacy and Cybersecurity Law Report, published by LexisNexis

Board member, Pearl IRB

Honors

The Best Lawyers in America, Intellectual Property Litigation, 2012-2024;
Lawyer of the Year, Intellectual Property Litigation, 2017

Indiana Super Lawyers, Intellectual Property, 2014-2016

PRACTICES

Advertising and Marketing

Antitrust and Competition Law

Business Tort Litigation (Tortious Interference)

Commercial Litigation

Copyright Litigation

Data Security and Privacy

eDiscovery and Knowledge Management

Emerging Companies and Venture Capital

Intellectual Property

IP Strategy and Management

Mergers and Acquisitions - Intellectual Property

Patent Litigation

Post-Grant and Inter Partes Review

Software and Technology Transactions

Trade Secrets

Trademark Litigation and Unfair Competition

INDUSTRIES

Agriculture and Food

Colleges and Universities

Education

Entertainment

Life Sciences