



A proven communicator and passionate advocate, Bruce Ratain serves as a trusted adviser and partner to his clients, dedicated to achieving the best solution to the client's needs. Bruce's practice focuses on intellectual property disputes, particularly patent infringement and false advertising matters.

Bruce is well-versed in various phases of IP litigation, including pre-suit analysis and strategy, invalidity analysis, fact and expert discovery, claim construction and summary judgment. In both patent and trademark disputes, his experience extends not only to issues of liability but also to damages.

Bruce's patent litigation work spans many industries, including medical devices, renewable chemical intermediates, lithium ion batteries, automotive technology, software, pharmaceuticals, food packaging, and agricultural equipment. He also has significant experience in inter partes review (IPR) proceedings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and has represented clients in trademark litigation cases.

Additionally, Bruce regularly counsels clients on false advertising law, including matters before the National Advertising Division of the BBB National Programs, Inc. and compliance with Federal Trade Commission guidance and regulations.

Bruce also has an active pro bono practice and represents clients across a variety of matters, with a focus on immigration matters. He has prepared and argued a successful asylum case for a detained individual fleeing life-threatening political persecution and has represented numerous families in Afghanistan seeking Special Immigrant Visas or other immigration relief in recognition of their service to the United States.

Professional and Community Involvement

Member, Illinois Environmental Council Young Professionals Board

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EDUCATION

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law,
(J.D.), cum laude, 2016

Tufts University, (B.A.), political science,
magna cum laude, 2011

BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois

COURT ADMISSIONS

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

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

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

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Advertising and Marketing

Data Security and Privacy

Drug and Medical Device

Emerging Companies and Venture
Capital

European Services

Intellectual Property

Internet and Technology

Litigation

Patent Litigation

Honors

The National Immigrant Justice Center Rising Star Award, 2020

Post-Grant and Inter Partes Review

Trademark Litigation and Unfair
Competition

INDUSTRIES

Life Sciences

Manufacturing

Renewable Energy