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Steve Phillips is a registered patent attorney with over four decades of professional experience, initially as an electrical engineer at IBM Corporation, and over 30 years as an attorney in intellectual property and patent related matters. Steve focuses his practice on patent application preparation and prosecution, client counseling, and opinions in technologies including software, telecommunications, electronics, semiconductors, optics, electromechanical technology, and financial processes. His experience includes international patent portfolio management, Patent Cooperation Treaty practice, and reissue and reexamination proceedings.

Prior to joining the firm, Steve was a partner and senior contributor to the patent team and the intellectual property practice group in the Research Triangle Park and Durham offices of a large general practice law firm based in the Carolinas where he represented *Fortune* 500 companies, universities, and startups in patent matters, copyright matters, and intellectual property transactions. Previously, Steve worked as an attorney in the intellectual property law department at IBM Corporation in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina, where he provided intellectual property law services for hundreds of engineers and programmers.

Prior to launching his legal career, Steve worked as a software license administrator, and held various engineering positions at IBM Corporation in Research Triangle Park, North Carolina and in Kingston, New York.

Education

North Carolina Central University School of Law J.D. (1993) *magna cum laude*

University of Pennsylvania B.S.E. (1984) Electrical Engineering

Syracuse University Graduate Course Work

Admissions

North Carolina (1993)

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (1994)

Professional & Community Activities

North Carolina Bar Association, Intellectual Property Law Section, Member

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Member

Licensing Executives Society, Member and Instructor, Licensing Basics Class

Insights

News Releases

32 Kilpatrick Townsend Attorneys Named to the 2020 North Carolina Pro Bono Honor Society
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