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Christopher Thomas advises clients on developing patent strategies tailored to meeting business goals and analyzing patent-related risks and opportunities. Chris focuses on advancing the business goals of clients in the United States and abroad by implementing strategies that position and protect his client's business expansion and growth. His practice includes client counseling; efficiently managing, growing, and protecting worldwide patent portfolios; conducting IP due diligences to support investment and acquisitions; negotiating patent licenses; challenging/defending patents at the PTAB; and advising on patent litigation matters. Chris' litigation experience relates to assisting with evaluating patent litigation risks from third-parties and developing strategies for mitigating those risks. His litigation experience also includes developing *inter partes* review (IPR) and post grant review (PGR) strategies in concert with concurrent litigation. His technical focus includes chemistry, chemical engineering, industrial chemicals, biotechnology, medical devices, material science, metallurgy, nanotechnology, mechanical devices, and consumer products.

Chris was recognized in 2024, 2025 and 2026 as one of the "Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch" for Intellectual Property Law by *The Best Lawyers in America*®. He was recognized as a Washington D.C. "Rising Star" in 2024 and the four years immediately preceding for Intellectual Property by *Super Lawyers* magazine. In 2022, Chris was named to the Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll, which recognizes the contributions of those D.C. Bar members who made significant contributions to pro bono service.

Prior to joining Kilpatrick, Chris served as a law clerk in the Office of Unfair Import Investigations of the U.S. International Trade Commission in Washington, D.C., where he assisted in Section 337 litigation for various IP issues. Before practicing law, Chris researched nanotechnology techniques for the design and manufacture of non-oxide nanoparticles for cancer treatment.

Education

University of New Hampshire School of Law J.D. (2014) *with honors*

State University of New York at Buffalo B.S. (2011) Chemical and Biological Engineering

Admissions

District of Columbia (2018)

New York (2014)

Court Admissions

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (2014)

Professional & Community Activities

American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), Member

South Asian Bar Association, Member

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