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## BAR and COURT ADMISSIONS

- Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 1990
- United States District Court, Eastern District of Pennsylvania 1990
- United States Patent & Trademark Office 1991
- United States Supreme Court 2003
- United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit 2005

#### **EDUCATION**

- The Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University, J.D. May 1990
- The University of Delaware, Honors Program, B.S.E. 1987

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Lecturer/Seminar Presenter
- The Catholic University, Rule of Law Institute, Lublin, Poland, 9/2005, "U.S. Intellectual Property Law"
- National Medical and Dental Society Conference, Hershey, Pennsylvania, 8/2006, "U.S. Intellectual Property Law Overview"
- "Legal Issues in the Arts Patent, Copyright, Trademark" 2006 "Hot Topics Internet Intellectual Property Issues" 2003
- "E-Commerce Issues Encountered by Every Business" 2001
- Author
  - "Trademark Protection in Surnames", 11/2005,
    - IP Supplement to The Legal Intelligencer
- Philadelphia Intellectual Property Law Association 1990 to present
- Computer and Electronics Practice Committee
- Litigation Committee
- Inventors Committee, Chairman 1994 to 1996
- Philadelphia Bar Association 1990 to present
- Federal Courts Committee
- Business Litigation Committee
- Cyberspace and E-commerce Committee
- Ben Franklin American Inn of Court (Intellectual Property)
- 1998 to present American Intellectual Property Law Association
- 1990 to present Pennsylvania Bar Association
- 1991 to present- Intellectual Property Law Committee

- Delaware County Bar Association 1995 to present
- Jagiellonian Law Society
- 1992 to present
  - Board of Directors 2001 to present
- Catholic Philopatrian Literary Institute 1994 to present - Secretary - 1995 to 1996
- Secretary 1995 to 1996
- Board of Directors 1996 to 2001
- Philadelphia Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts 1992 to present
- Homeless Advocacy Project 1990 to 1994
- Great Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce 1998 to 2002
- Dickinson Law School Alumni Association 1990 to present
- University of Delaware Alumni Association 1990 to present
- Penn State Alumni Association 2000 to present
- Preservation Alliance for Greater Philadelphia 2004 to present

#### BIO

Mr. Konieczny has practiced intellectual property law in the Philadelphia region for over 19 years. He has extensive and comprehensive experience in every aspect of intellectual property law including procuring U.S. and foreign patents, copyrights and trademarks, and litigating intellectual property rights in federal court. Prior to cofounding Ryder, Mazzeo and Konieczny, Mr. Konieczny was a partner in the Philadelphia area's oldest intellectual property law firm. He was admitted to the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 1990 and admitted to practice before the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO) in 1991.

Mr. Konieczny has litigated patent and trademark disputes throughout the U.S. for a wide variety of clients and technologies. In addition to the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Mr. Konieczny has prosecuted and defended intellectual property cases by special admission in the Federal District Courts in California, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, New Jersey, New York, and Maryland. The subject matter involved in those patent infringement matters involved both simple technology, such as woodworking pocket-hole jigs, and complex technology, such as volume Bragg grating (holographic) elements. Mr. Konieczny has particular expertise prosecuting and defending motions for temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions.

Mr. Konieczny also prosecutes patents before the USPTO and works with the Firm's network of foreign associates to procure counterpart foreign patent protection. Since 1990, Mr. Konieczny has drafted and prosecuted hundreds of patents on behalf of inventors covering a wide variety of mechanical, chemical, composites, software, Internet, and electrical arts. He also advises clients and prepares opinions regarding patentability of new inventions and infringement of existing patents.

Mr. Konieczny maintains a heavy docket of trademark prosecution and licensing matters as well. He has prosecuted hundreds of trademarks before the USPTO, prosecuted trademark appeals before the Trademark Trial & Appeal Board (TTAB), and prosecuted and defended opposition and cancellation proceedings before the TTAB.



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