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Alan is a proven first-chair trial attorney who specializes in complex trial litigation involving scientific and technical subject matter. As lead trial counsel, he has successfully tried multiple cases for plaintiffs and defendants to verdict throughout the country before judges, juries, and arbitrators. His cases involve a wide variety of subject matters, including patent infringement, trade secrets, securities, contract/fraud, product liability, ERISA, licensing, and other complex commercial matters. His cases also involve an array of scientific and technical subjects, including computer networking, medical devices, pharmaceutical products, video streaming, software design, solar cells, and computer hardware. Alan also brings a unique perspective from his experience working in several start-up companies. Prior to going into law, Alan was Vice President of Network Security for Citibank's online bank and was a Computer and Network Security Specialist for Iridium, a worldwide satellite telecommunications company. Alan graduated from the University of Chicago Law School with honors, served as editor-in-chief of *The Law Review*, and clerked on the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit for Judge Frank H. Easterbrook.

Representative Litigation

Aortic Innovations v. Edwards Lifesciences

Lead counsel defending Edwards against multi-patent infringement litigation regarding transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) products.

VPPA Arbitrations and Class Actions

Lead counsel defending MLB Advanced Media in arbitrations and nationwide class actions regarding the Video Privacy Protection Act and related state privacy laws.

Confidential Commercial Arbitration

Lead trial counsel in a complex licensing and intellectual property arbitration against a multi-national pharmaceutical company. The three-arbitrator panel ruled unanimously in favor of our client on all counts.

Audio Products Litigation

Served as co-lead trial counsel for a Fortune 10 American technology company in a patent-infringement dispute relating to wireless headphones, wireless communications, and audio products. The case, set for trial in the Western District of Texas, settled on favorable terms days before trial.

Sportvision, Inc. et al. v. MLB Advanced Media, L.P.

Lead counsel for MLB Advanced Media in patent, trade secret, and contract matter relating to the display of video graphics.

Elliott et al. v. AbbVie, Inc.

Represented AbbVie in securities litigation against multiple hedge funds relating to a potential 2014 merger. Our client won summary judgment on all counts.

In re Sugammadex ANDA Litigation

Represent Merck in ANDA patent litigation against 16 generic drug manufacturers in federal courts in New Jersey and West Virginia related to Merck's anesthesia-reversal drug Bridion®. Our client prevailed against all defendants.

Telephone Consumer Protection Act Litigation

Lead counsel for various Major League Baseball clubs (including the Rays, Giants, and Cubs) in several purported class action lawsuits brought by TCPA plaintiffs.

Uniloc v. Amazon et al.

Lead counsel for Home Box Office (HBO) in patent litigation concerning wireless video streaming and device authentication.

Confidential Medical Device Client

Lead counsel in evaluating a large competitor patent portfolio and preparing overall litigation strategy to assist client in the design and global release of a medical device.

Confidential Energy Provider

Lead counsel in various intellectual property consulting matters involving energy technology, including evaluating whether to assert company's patents in litigation and defending against trade secret allegations.

Teledyne Wireless v. Advantech Wireless et al.

Co-lead counsel for Teledyne in non-compete and trade secret litigation involving company leadership leaving to work for a direct competitor.

Front Row Technologies v. MLB Advanced Media, L.P. et al.

Lead counsel for MLB Advanced Media in patent litigation concerning wireless streaming.

Sports Technology Applications, Inc. v. MLB Advanced Media, L.P.

Lead trial counsel for MLB Advanced Media in licensing dispute concerning a trademark license for a mobile predictive gaming application.

Pan v. Medtronic, Inc.

Lead counsel for Medtronic in a product liability action concerning a nerve monitoring tube.

MLB Properties International Arbitration

Lead counsel for MLB Properties in an arbitration involving the scope of a Chinese company's license and operations throughout China.

Fortune 15 Company Arbitrations

Lead counsel for a Fortune 15 healthcare company in nearly fifty arbitrations involving ERISA and the Texas Prompt Pay Act.

Alltech Assoc. v. Teledyne Instruments, Inc.

Co-lead counsel for Teledyne Instruments in District of Delaware patent litigation involving chromatography equipment.

CEATS, Inc. v. Continental Airlines, Inc. et al.

Lead trial counsel for Tickets.com in a patent infringement suit in the Eastern District of Texas.

Tula Foods v. Kroger et al.

Lead trial counsel for Tula Foods in a 6-week jury trial in Ohio state court involving claims of fraud, breach of contract, and trade secret misappropriation.

Plumbers and Pipefitters Local 572 Health and Welfare Fund v. Merck & Co., Inc.

Counsel for Merck in a putative class action brought by health benefit providers under civil RICO and federal antitrust statutes relating to alleged co-pay subsidy programs.

Private Practice

Partner, Goldman Ismail Tomaselli Brennan & Baum LLP

Partner, Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Associate, Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP

Education

University of Chicago Law School, (J.D., *with honors*)

- Editor-in-Chief, *The Law Review*
- Joseph H. Beale Prize
- Olin Student Fellowship in Law & Economics
- Merck-Microsoft-Pfizer Student Fellowship

University of Chicago (B.A., Economics)

- Departmental/General Honors
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Judicial Clerkship

The Honorable Frank H. Easterbrook, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

Publications

[Arbitrability of Commercial Patent Disputes in the United States \(Agenda\)](#)

[Managing Patent Litigation: Successful Results at Reasonable Costs](#), Mark L. Levine (Bartlit Beck Herman Palenchar & Scott LLP) and Alan E. Littmann

Of Note

Selected by *Managing IP* as a National and Illinois Patent Star (2025)

Ranked by *Benchmark Litigation* as a National Practice Area Star and Litigation Star (2018-2025)

Selected by *Super Lawyers* as an Illinois Super Lawyer (2022-2025)

Named Practice Area Star by *LMG Life Sciences* for Product Liability (2020-2022)

Selected by *Lawdragon* as among the "all-star litigators" "who excel at representing principally corporations and other organizations" in complex litigation, especially intellectual property, in the 500 Leading Litigators in America guide (2022-2026)

Selected by *Super Lawyers* as an Illinois Rising Star (2010, 2013-2014)

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Bar & Court Admission

State of Illinois

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit

U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois

Other Experience

Vice-President, Network Security and Financial
Fraud Protection, Citibank N.A.

Computer and Network Security Specialist,
Iridium, LLC

Technology Analyst, Deloitte Consulting/NetDox,
Inc.
