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OVERVIEW

Jeffrey Gargano is a partner in the firm's IP Litigation practice. His focuses his practice on disputes involving intellectual property in US federal courts and before the International Trade Commission. Jeff counsels clients on overall IP strategy and litigation avoidance. He has litigated cases involving myriad IP law issues, including domestic and foreign patents, trademarks, trade secrets, copyrights, false advertising, and unfair competition. Jeff has an exceptional ability to break down complex technical issues into simple terms that judges and juries can understand.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Jeffrey served as a partner at a global law firm. Jeff is a registered patent lawyer with a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering. Jeff has experience working with clients on many diverse technologies, including pharmaceutical compounds and formulations, drug delivery systems, methods for treating medical conditions, medical devices and surgical procedures, food sciences, 3G, 4G and 5G wireless telecommunications, semiconductor manufacturing, circuit protection devices, integrated circuits, and printed circuit boards.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers USA* for Intellectual Property in Illinois, 2026
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States as a* Recommended Lawyer for Patents: Litigation (Full Coverage), 2019-2025
- Recognized by *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Litigation – Patent, Chicago (2020-2021)
- Recognized, IP Patent Star – Illinois, *Managing Intellectual Property* (2012–2021)
- Recognized, *IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals* (2013–2024)
- Recognized, *Intellectual Property Management Patent 250* (2011)

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Member, Practice Group of the Year, Intellectual Property, *Law360* (2019)
- Member, Litigation Department of the Year–Intellectual Property, *The American Lawyer* (2019)
- Member, Chicago Bar Association
- Member, Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago

EDUCATION

- J.D., Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, 1992
- B.S., University of Arizona, 1989

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Illinois
- United States Patent and Trademark Office
- United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, Trial Bar

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- February 2022, February 2022 Accolades

NEWS & EVENTS

- 3 August 2026, K&L Gates' Global IP Practice and Lawyers Recognized in *Managing IP's* 2026 "IP Stars" Rankings
- 4 June 2026, K&L Gates Receives Nearly 235 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2026 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 2 June 2026, K&L Gates IP Practice and Lawyers Recognized in 2026 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 27 October 2025, K&L Gates Secures Federal Circuit Victory Affirming ITC Ruling in Water Filter Patent Dispute
- 3 October 2025, K&L Gates' Global IP Practice, Lawyers Earn Rankings in Managing IP's 2025 "IP Stars"

- 6 June 2025, K&L Gates' IP Practice, Lawyers Recognized Among Leaders in 2025 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 7 October 2024, K&L Gates' Intellectual Property Practice, Lawyers Recognized in 2024 *Managing IP* Magazine's "IP Stars"
- 10 June 2024, K&L Gates' IP Practice, Lawyers Recognized Among Leaders in 2024 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 23 October 2023, K&L Gates' Intellectual Property Practice, Lawyers Recognized in 2023 *Managing IP* Magazine's "IP Stars"
- 29 September 2023, K&L Gates Helps Secure ITC Reversal in Patent Suit Over Water Filters
- 1 August 2023, K&L Gates Intellectual Property Practice Listed Among Leaders in 2023 IAM Patent 1000 Rankings
- 6 October 2022, K&L Gates Recognized in 2022 *Managing IP* Magazine's 'IP Stars'
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 22 September 2021, K&L Gates Further Strengthens Intellectual Property Practice With Addition of Seasoned Litigation Partner in Chicago

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, “Fed. Circ. Backs PTAB Ruling That Wireless Tech IP Is Invalid,” *Law360*, 10 December 2024

AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Litigation
- Pharma and BioPharma Litigation

INDUSTRIES

- Life Sciences