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OVERVIEW

James Capone is an associate in the firm's IP Procurement and Portfolio Management practice, with a focus on patent procurement. James's technical concentration is in the mechanical field. Examples of his concentration include work with wheels, fasteners, and medical equipment. Additionally, James has experience with computer science and engineering, which has supported work with block chain.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to becoming an associate, James served as a patent law clerk at the firm. During this time, he drafted patent applications, including writing claims, editing and creating figures, and drafting parts of a specification. He also rewrote claims and formulated arguments for USPTO rejections. Previously, James served as a law clerk at a Pittsburgh firm, where he created a program to automate generation of title opinions, as well as drafting and exhibiting title opinions for attorney review for tax parcels in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia.

At the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, James was the president of the Student Intellectual Property Law Association. Additionally, he participated in the Cardozo/BMI moot court competition regarding trademark and entertainment law.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Patent Law Practice, 2024
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Professional Responsibility, 2023

EDUCATION

- B.S., Bucknell University, 2019
- J.D., University of Pittsburgh School of Law, 2024 (*cum laude*; *Managing Editor, University of Pittsburgh Law Review*)

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Pennsylvania
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Procurement and Portfolio Management
- Financial Institutions Special Situations