

Chris Centurelli

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OVERVIEW

Chris Centurelli helps clients resolve complex patent, trade secret, and commercial disputes. His experience includes trying cases to verdict and arguing claim construction, summary judgment, preliminary injunction, and IPR hearings. His clients produce a wide variety of products including AI software tools, analog to digital converters, medical devices, robots, mobile phones and telecommunication equipment, HVAC equipment, electronic storage devices, deicing solutions, food ingredients, and adhesive tapes.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers USA* for Intellectual Property in Massachusetts, 2026
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* as a Recommended Lawyer for Patents: Litigation (Full Coverage), 2024-2026
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® for Litigation - Intellectual Property in Boston, 2024-2025
- Listed in IAM Patent 1000, United States Individuals: Trade Secrets Litigation, 2023

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- President, Winchester Sports Foundation
- Member, Open Source Committee, Intellectual Property Owners Association
- National Institute for Trial Advocacy
- American Intellectual Property Society
- Boston Patent Law Association
- Giles Sutherland Rich Memorial Moot Court Competition, Northeast Region of the Chairperson, 2000-2002
- Former Pop Warner Football and Cal Ripken Baseball coach

EDUCATION

- J.D., Boston College Law School, 1998 *(cum laude)*
- B.S., Tufts University College of Engineering, 1995 *(Computer Engineering, magna cum laude)*

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Massachusetts
- United States Patent and Trademark Office
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 3 November 2026, Massachusetts High Court Rejects Irreparable Harm Presumption for Trade Secrets Injunctions
- 25 February 2026, Questions to AI Models May Be Discoverable

NEWS & EVENTS

- 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
- 6 June 2025, K&L Gates' IP Practice, Lawyers Recognized Among Leaders in 2025 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 10 June 2024, K&L Gates' IP Practice, Lawyers Recognized Among Leaders in 2024 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 29 January 2024, K&L Gates Leads Novozymes to Trade Secrets Trial Victory
- 1 August 2023, K&L Gates Intellectual Property Practice Listed Among Leaders in 2023 IAM Patent 1000 Rankings
- 1 September 2020, K&L Gates Secures Win for Lenovo in Patent Infringement Matter

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, "Chembio Diagnostic Systems Prevails in International Arbitration Against BioSure (UK) Ltd," *Globe Newswire*, 22 November 2021

AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Litigation
- IP Procurement and Portfolio Management
- Post-Grant Patents
- Trade Secrets Litigation

INDUSTRIES

- Healthcare
- Life Sciences

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- *Barco, N.V. et al. v. Yealink Network Technology Co., Ltd., et al.* Represented Barco in a patent infringement action involving its award-winning ClickShare® wireless presentation technology. Following trial in the Eastern District of Texas, the jury awarded Barco damages, and the court granted a permanent injunction barring the sale of infringing products through the expiration of the asserted patents.
- *Milliman, Inc. et al. v. Gradient A.I. Corp., et al.* Represented Milliman in a patent infringement, breach of contract, and DTSA trade secret action involving AI software solutions. The case settled in 2024 on the eve of trial, with Defendants acknowledging infringement and validity of Milliman's patents, and possession and validity of Milliman's trade secrets, and agreeing to license the infringed technology.
- *Marquis ProCap System, LLC v. Novozymes North America, Inc.* Represented Novozymes in a breach of contract and DTSA trade secret action. The dispute settled amicably after judgment was entered denying all Marquis' claims and ruling that Novozymes did not disclose or threaten to disclose any of the alleged trade secrets.
- *Chembio Diagnostic Systems Inc. v. BioSure (UK) LTD.* Represented Chembio in an international arbitration proceeding. After a five-day evidentiary hearing, the arbitration tribunal found BioSure breached the parties' contract and its implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing and misappropriated Chembio's trade secrets under both federal and New York law; awarded Chembio its damages, costs, and attorneys' fees; and ordered BioSure to stop making, using, offering for sale, or selling Chembio's intellectual property.
- *National Fish & Seafood, Inc. v. Tampa Bay Fisheries, et al.* Represented NFS in a trade secret misappropriation action. The dispute settled amicably after an evidentiary hearing and written decision granted NFS its requested injunctive relief.
- *Source Search Technologies, LLC v. KAYAK Software Corporation.* Represented KAYAK in a patent infringement action concerning its Search One and Done® website. The District Court invalidated the

asserted patent under 35 U.S.C. 101 and awarded KAYAK attorney fees; the decision was affirmed by the Federal Circuit.

- *Exergen Corp. v. CVS Corp.* Represented Exergen in a patent infringement action concerning its patented temporal artery thermometer technology. After a 15-day trial, the jury found each of Exergen's three asserted patents valid and infringed.
- Represented one of the world's largest data center technology vendors in a six-patent dispute adverse to Intellectual Ventures. Each asserted patent was found invalid after inter partes reexamination or not infringed after summary judgment and all appeals were taken.
- Represented an equipment rental company in defense of claims alleging trade-secret misappropriation. The case settled after a multiday evidentiary hearing in which the rental company defeated Aggreko's unreasonable request for injunctive relief.
- Represented a provider of healthcare diagnostics in a breach of contract and copyright infringement dispute concerning its electronic patient record solution, scaleable document management solution, and physician portal solution products. The case settled after the court's rulings on motions *in limine*.
- *Sears v. Archer Daniels Midland Company*. Represented ADM in a patent infringement action. After a two-week trial, the jury found that ADM's Caliber® deicing product did not infringe Sears' patents.