



## Christopher W. Elswick

Partner

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Chris' practice emphasizes design and utility patent prosecution and counseling, opinion work, due diligence studies, and development and management of patent portfolios. He is admitted to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office and is licensed in the states of Ohio and Massachusetts. Chris' practice encompasses a number of technical areas within the mechanical and electrical engineering arts such as experience in a variety of automotive systems, medical devices, water treatment technologies, electro-mechanical devices, fluid flow control mechanisms, software and consumer products. He counsels a broad range of clients on the procurement and assessment of intellectual property rights, from individuals to Fortune 500 companies.

His practice also centers on design patent preparation and prosecution, recognizing that design applications can be an important vehicle to filing and obtaining protection quickly. Design patents can also play an equally valuable role as utility in an overall patent strategy for products. Chris has extensive design patent preparation and opinion experience in mechanical and graphical user interface (GUI) designs.

### Services

- Intellectual Property
- Patent Procurement & Management
- Litigation

### Education

- The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law (J.D., *with honors*, 2002)
  - CALI Award for Excellence in Copyright 625
- University of Kentucky (B.S., *magna cum laude*, 1998)
  - Mechanical Engineering
  - Tau Beta Pi

### Bar Admissions

- Ohio

- Massachusetts
- U.S. Patent & Trademark Office

## **Affiliations/Memberships**

- CincyIP

## **Experience**

### **University Advanced Research Agreements**

We represent an automotive manufacturer in negotiating and completing numerous university advanced research agreements and cooperative research and development agreements, in which we leveraged a unique combination of Intellectual Property and Corporate transactional experience.