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Anthony helps innovators protect market-shaping intellectual property assets.

Practices

Patent

Education

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Anthony draws on more than a decade of experience to serve his clients across every phase of the patent lifecycle—from invention harvesting and application drafting to worldwide prosecution, licensing, and freedom-to-operate analysis. He has performed patent landscape reviews and FTO opinions for clients in AI and wireless systems and is trained in mechanical and electrical systems with deep domain experience in AI/ML, wireless communication (5G/6G), automotive technologies, semiconductors, analog circuits, and embedded systems.

Before joining the firm, Anthony served as Senior IP Counsel at a leading global consumer electronics company, where he managed a portfolio of more than 1,200 assets covering next-generation neural networks, real-time multimedia platforms, and automotive software. His background as a former USPTO patent examiner, combined with his engineering knowledge, enables him to anticipate examiner concerns, accelerate allowance, and craft claims that withstand both competitive and regulatory scrutiny.

Client Work

- Managed the global patent portfolio for a leading consumer electronics company, cutting lowvalue filings by 20% while increasing high-impact coverage by 35%.
- Advised on freedom-to-operate and patentability analyses for multimillion-dollar product launches in AI/ML and 5G.
- Negotiated IP terms in complex university-sponsored research and open-source licensing agreements.

Presentations

- "Strategic Patent Portfolio Development," National Bar Association (Jul. 2023)
- "IP for Innovators," Virginia Commonwealth University (Mar. 2022)

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"Patent Portfolio Development for Startups," National Society of Black Engineers (Feb. 2021)

Memberships

- National Bar Association, Member

Life Beyond the Law

Outside of work, Anthony lives in Baltimore with his two children. He enjoys cooking, hiking, programming, jazz, bicycling, and learning new skills—currently exploring Swift programming.

Bar Admissions

District of Columbia US Patent and Trademark Office