

## WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

### BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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### EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LL.M., Trade Regulation, New York University School of Law, New York, 1994;  
J.D., *summa cum laude*, Cleveland State University, Ohio, 1993;  
B.S., Mechanical Engineering, The Ohio State University, Ohio, 1988.

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### LANGUAGES

English

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### PRESENT POSITION

Attorney at Law, Squire Patton Boggs (US) LLP (formerly known as Squire Sanders (US) LLP);  
Adjunct Professor, Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University, Patent Law and  
Practice, since 2000.

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Chair, Benesch, Friedlander, Coplan & Aronoff LLP, Intellectual Property Practice Group, Cleveland;  
Partner, Fay, Sharpe, Fagan, Minnich & McKee LLP, Cleveland, 1996-01;  
Associate, Jones , Day, Reavis & Pogue, Cleveland, 1994-96.

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### AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Litigation of patent, copyright, trademark, domain name, and trade secret disputes.

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### MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member:

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio;  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit;  
U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit;  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office;  
Cleveland Bar Association;  
Cleveland Intellectual Property Law Association;  
American Bar Association;  
American Intellectual Property Law Association.

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### EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Counsels clients in the Internet technology arena. Advises both national and international businesses regarding the issues of e-commerce including licensing, Web site security issues, including legal disclaimers and liability issues, e-commerce agreements, click-through agreements, domain name disputes, and anti-cybersquatting issues.

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### EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

ADR Panelist - U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Ohio;  
Represented domain name holder in UDRP proceeding against cybersquatter;  
Counseled clients regarding selection, use and transfer of domain names.

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### MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Author, "Staying Patent Validity Litigation Pending Reexamination: When Should Courts Endeavor To Do So?" *Cleveland State Law Review* Vol. 41, No. 2 (1993) 315-343;  
Author, "Gray Market Goods Produced by Foreign Affiliates of the U.S. Trademark Owner: Should the Lanham Act Provide a Remedy?" *Akron Law Review* Vol. 28, No. 3 (Spring 1995) 437-461.

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### EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Represented out-of-state involuntary plaintiff/patent owner in patent infringement action brought by licensee. U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed dismissal of action based on determination that involuntary plaintiff/patent owner deemed indispensable party over which district court lacked jurisdiction;  
Represented supplier of garage door operators in patent infringement action pending before the U.S. International Trade Commission;  
Represented senior party in patent interference relating to web inspection system; Junior party conceded interference during trial phase;  
Represented defendant in patent infringement suit relating to golf clubs; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed dismissal of case on summary judgment;

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Represented defendant in copyright infringement suit brought by software company; case settled after U.S. district court denied plaintiff's motion for preliminary injunction;  
Represented plaintiff in trademark infringement action that settled after presentation of plaintiff's case at trial;  
Represented senior party in interference proceeding relating to image-guided spinal surgery; junior party conceded interference after formal exchange of proofs;  
Represented defendant in patent infringement action relating to caulk containers; U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit affirmed dismissal on summary judgment;  
Represented defendant in suit for copyright and trademark infringement relating to soft sculpture; U.S. District Court dismissed all claims against client on summary judgment and awarded attorneys' fees.

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#### **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION**

Attended seminars and read variety of publications on subject of mediating intellectual property disputes.

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#### **EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION**

Represented clients in court-sponsored mediations regarding intellectual property disputes.

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#### **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION**

Attended seminars and read variety of publications on subject of arbitrating intellectual property disputes.

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