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Date of Birth: May 15, 1967

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EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Legal Exams, College of Law, York, England and Wales, 1994;
Doctorate in Physics, University of Grenoble, France, 1992;
Masters of Engineering in Materials Engineering, Birmingham University, England, 1989.

Enrolled in the Paris Bar under the European Directive 98/5/CE, 2003;
Solicitor (England and Wales), 1996.

LANGUAGES

English, French.

PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Hogan Lovells (formerly known as Lovells LLP) Intellectual Property, Media and Technology practice, Paris.

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Solicitor, Lovells, London, 1995-97;
Research Engineer at the C.N.R.S., Grenoble, France, 1989-92.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual Property (trademarks, copyright, industrial design), keyword advertising, website design and development, data protection, encryption regulation and security issues.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Society for Computers and Law ;
The Intellectual Property Constituency section of ICANN ;
WIPO Arbitrator ;
L.E.S. (Licensing Executives Society) France ;
European Young Bar Association – www.eyba.org, (Internet and E-Commerce Group), formerly President between 1998 and 2000;
ECTA;
.EU Panelist;
.MY Panelist;
Nominet Panelist.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Advises on many aspects of e-commerce and in particular protecting clients' intellectual property rights on the Internet, domain names (registration, management and recuperation) website design and development, content liability, data protection and privacy issues, encryption regulation and security issues, together with software licensing and development agreements.

Attends ICANN & INTA meetings regularly.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Speaks regularly on domain names, Internet related intellectual property issues and E-Commerce;
Co-ordinates a world wide domain name registration and protection service for clients, using dedicated servers and has developed an extranet facility for clients to view their portfolios on line. Head of a team which manages domain name registrations in 160 jurisdictions, totalling well over 10,000 names to date. Frequently advises on the resolution of domain name disputes across the globe, either for the Complainant or the Respondent in over 100 cases.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

"La décompilation des logiciels : un droit au parasitisme", Le Dalloz, 1999, n°41
"Encryption - Hindering the Hackers" - encryption regulation in France, UK and the US, Practising Law Institute, Internet Law Course Handbook 2000
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"Some technical and legal issues of the Year 2000 problem in the UK: Bug, Bomb or Booze?", Eurolawyer, Issue 8, April 1999

"Keywords and trademark infringement liability" (Google France v Viaticum - Luteciel), co-author with Marie-Aimée de Dampierre, World Internet Law Report, December 2003 republished in Computer Law & Security Report, January 2004

".cz domain registrar decentralizes to defeat cybersquatters", World eBusiness Law Report, 13 January 2004

"Taiwan NIC partners Neulevel to market '.tw' domain names", World eBusiness Law Report, 3 February 2004

"Is Google's AdWords search system legal?", co-author with Marie-Aimée de Dampierre, Computer Law & Security Report, Vol.20, January 2004,

"The Responsibility of ISPs under the French Law to Promote Confidence in the Digital Economy "LEN", World Internet Law Report, Volume 5, Number 4, April 2004, BNA International,

"Expecting .euphoria?" (Trademark World, Number 169, July/August 2004, p.38),

".fr domain name: new opportunities for registration in France" (World Internet Law Report, Volume 5, Number 5, May 2004, BNA International, p.8),

"UDRP: problem or solution" (Trademark World, December 2004/January 2005, Issue 173, p.24-28),

"New records set for domain name registrations" (World Internet Law Report, July 2004, Volume 5, Number 7, p.13),

".pro launched" (World Internet Law Report, July 2004, Volume 5, Number 7, p.13),

".kids launched in the United States" (World Internet Law Report, July 2004, Volume 5, Number 7, p.13),

"NIC issues new rules to keep cybersquatters in Czech" (World eBusiness Law Report, September 24 2004),

"France - Trademark owners benefit from relaxed domain registration rules", (International Law Office, June 25 2004),

".si domain name liberalization approaches" (World Trademark Law Report, March 04 2005),

"Germany - Victory for German government against Fascist group" (World Internet Law Report, December 2004, p.20-21),

"A reminder that trade names are not covered by UDRP" (World Internet Law Report, December 2004, p.21),

"Reverse domain name hijacking: a reminder" (co-author with Jane Seager, World Internet Law Report, April 2005, p.7-8),

"Details of .us domain name registrants must be made public" (co-author with Jane Seager, World Trademark Law Report, May 05 2005),

"Protecting Intellectual Property Rights in .EU: The first pan-regional Top Level Domain", Mitteilungen der deutschen Patentanwälte, June 2006,

".EU: The First Region-Specific Top-Level Domain TLD is Born", IP & Technology Programme, BNA International, June 2006 p.7-15,

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"BARC & ELONA mark owner has no rights in 'barcelona.eu'", co-author with Jane Seager, World Trademark Law Report, 24 July 2006,

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".ASIA is set for Summer Launch", co-author with Jane Seager, BNA International, February 2007,
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"Better suck than to stink under the UDRP", co-author with Charles Simon, World Trademark Report, 12 June 2007,
"1664.no' soon to be available for registration", co-author with Charles Simon, World Trademark Report, 13 June 2007,
"Vortex in a whirl after dismissal of 'skyblog.eu' complaint", co-author with Charles Simon, World Trademark Report, 14 June 2007,
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"Domain chance", Legal Week, 21 June 2007,
"Dispute resolution for the .eu generation", Legal Week, 5 July 2007,
"dotASIA", Trademark World, October 2007,
"Every business needs a domain name strategy", EURid, Winter 2007 – 2008,
"A survey of recent domain name developments - Domain Name Briefs", World Communications Regulation Report BNA, January 2008.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Has considerable experience in court litigation involving domain names as well as acting in various other cases involving infringements of trade mark rights on web sites in the UK, France and the Czech Republic.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION

Attended WIPO Workshops on Domain Name Dispute Resolution, November 14-15 2002, October 19-20 2005 and October 20-21 2006; all WIPO Domain Name Panelist meetings since 2003; Nominet Experts meeting on 30th January 2008 and all Czech Arbitration Court Domain name panelist meetings since 2006.
