

CHARLES W. GAINES SHAREHOLDER

Rendering patentability, patent infringement and patent validity opinions as well as overall client counseling on intellectual property issues; preparing intellectual property licenses and assignments; preparing and prosecuting U.S. and international patent applications in the semiconductor, electromechanical, mechanical and optoelectronic arts; and procuring U.S. and international trademarks. Participated in many phases of intellectual property litigation including preparation of motions, briefs, other litigation documents and appeal briefs to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Prepared witnesses in patent-related jury trial, and participated in many aspects of discovery. Has a high level of second chair litigation experience including development of litigation strategy, negotiations and mediation. Subject matter areas of experience include patent, copyright, trademarks, trade secrets and contracts. Involved in extensive trade secret and International Trade Commission actions.

TECHNICAL FIELDS

Semiconductor fabrication, optoelectronics, nanotechnology, electromechanical, mechanical and chemical. In particular, processes and devices relating to and used in the fabrication of various types of semiconductors, optoelectronics devices and nanotechnology devices and processes; chassis and associated electrical systems relating to various types of power systems and computer chassis and associated electrical systems; apparatus relating to oil and gas exploration; organic, inorganic, and polymer chemistry.

PRIOR PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- ▶ Konneker Bush Hitt & Chwang, Dallas, Texas, October 1993 to January 1995
- ▶ Hubbard, Tucker & Harris, Dallas, Texas, January 1990 to October 1993
- ▶ Eleven years of business experience, including oil and gas exploration and the banking industry in the area of trusts and estates

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EDUCATION

- ▶ Texas Tech University School of Law
Lubbock TX Doctor of Jurisprudence, 1989
- ▶ Midwestern State University, Wichita Falls, TX
B.S. in Chemistry, December 1989
B.S.E. in Education, August 1976

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- ▶ State Bar of Texas, 1990
- ▶ Registered to Practice before U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- ▶ American Intellectual Property Law Association
- ▶ Intellectual Property Law Section of State Bar of Texas
- ▶ U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit Court
- ▶ U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- ▶ U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas