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## BIOGRAPHY

Recognized as one of the "Best Lawyers in America" and a Maryland "Super Lawyer," and by the prestigious publication Benchmark Litigation as a "Local Litigation Star," Mr. Tiller is widely known as one of the top technology and intellectual property litigators in the mid-Atlantic. He is co-chair of the firm's Intellectual Property and Technology practice group, which includes attorneys whose practice focus on both business and litigation issues, and is one of only twenty-four firms nationwide ranked in the top tier for Technology by U.S. News & World Report.

Mr. Tiller has handled a wide range of business and intellectual property disputes involving a variety of technologies, including software, internet applications, network architecture, manufactured products, and bio technologies. These matters have related to a broad scope of industries including drug safety analysis, data access and replication, nuclear power plant safety, wireless telecommunications, sales management, academic admissions, and fiber optics, to name a few. He also regularly advises clients on risk management and other business issues, essentially acting as outside general counsel for several clients over the years. Admitted to practice before the US Patent and Trademark Office, Mr. Tiller also assists clients in identifying, protecting and leveraging their intellectual property assets. A

## PRACTICES & INDUSTRIES

Intellectual Property Litigation

Patents

Copyrights

Trade Secrets

Trademarks, Domain Names  
and Other Brand Protection

Business Litigation

Appellate Practice

Life Sciences

Tort & Insurance Litigation

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Intellectual Property &  
Technology

Computer Software & Hardware

Internet and E-Commerce

## EDUCATION

University of Kentucky, 1992, J.D.

James Madison University, 1988,  
B.S.

representative sample of his cases follows:

## RECOGNITIONS

- AV Peer Review Rated: Martindale-Hubbell
- Recognized in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, published by Chambers and Partners. 2016 - present
- Named a 2015 "Top Rated Intellectual Property Lawyer" by *American Lawyer*
- Listed in *Best Lawyers in America*, 2006 - present
  - Named Best Lawyers' 2016 Litigation - Intellectual Property, Litigation - Patent, Patent Law and Technology Law "Lawyer of the Year"
  - Named Best Lawyers' 2014 Baltimore Litigation - Intellectual Property "Lawyer of the Year"
  - Named Best Lawyers' 2013 Baltimore Patent Law "Lawyer of the Year"
- Listed in *Maryland Super Lawyers*, 2007 - present
- Listed as a "Litigation Star" in *Benchmark Litigation*, 2008 - present

## MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITIES

- Executive Committee Member: Ft. Meade Alliance, and Chair of Ft. Meade Connect (Business Development) Committee
- Advisory Board Member: Towson Global Incubator
- Member: Chesapeake Regional Tech Council
- Member: Greater Baltimore Technology Council
- Member: Licensing Executives Society
- Chairman and Presenter: Maryland Institute for the Continuing Professional Education of Lawyers seminar on E-commerce issues
- Reporter: Legislative Task Force on Establishment of Business and Technology Division in Maryland Circuit Courts

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## PATENT LITIGATION

- Represented owners of patent for rapid deployment rescue shelters for use in coal mining and other accidents where toxic conditions may exist in infringement matter
- Represented State administrative agency in infringement matter related to vehicle tracking software
- Represented inventor and owner of patent regarding distributed network

## ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

Maryland

U.S. Court of Appeals: Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals: Fourth Circuit

U.S. Court of Federal Claims

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

U.S. Supreme Court

architecture in infringement matters

- Represented inventor and owner of patent regarding software tool for analyzing the risks of pharmaceutical products in infringement matter
- Represented financial services provider in infringement matter related to the access, assembly and utilization of bodies of information
- Represented financial services company in infringement matter involving the navigation method employed in its mobile web site
- Represented developer in infringement matter involving online college application software
- Represented jewelry manufacturer in infringement matter involving the locking mechanism on certain bracelets
- Represented manufacturer and reseller of computer classroom desks in invention conception dispute
- Represented international laminate flooring manufacturer in infringement matter before the International Trade Commission involving mechanical locking laminate flooring panels
- Represented State University and Professor in infringement matter involving apparatus for the extermination of aquatic nuisance species from ships' ballast water
- Represented mobile office and storage leasing company in infringement matter regarding the locking device on certain of its mobile storage units
- Represented large hospital system in infringement matter regarding artificial implantable blood pumps
- Represented inventor in professional malpractice case that arose out of defendants' failure to pay an annual maintenance fee for plaintiffs' patent for an innovative topical treatment of reflex sympathetic dystrophy and related ailments
- Represented nutritional supplement manufacturer and distributor in infringement matter regarding glucosamine/chondroitin supplement for the protection and repair of connective tissue in animals
- Represented developer of method and apparatus for making, receiving and administering pari-mutuel gaming bets using voice recognition technology in infringement matter
- Represented manufacturer of ground fault circuit interrupters ("GFCI") in infringement matter

## **COPYRIGHT AND TRADE SECRET LITIGATION**

- Represented real estate brokerage firm in software copyright matter
- Represented telecommunications sales management software developer in licensing, copyright and trade secret dispute before three member arbitration panel
- Represented developer of nuclear power plant simulator software in copyright infringement matter
- Represented fiber optic company and its founders in trade secret dispute
- Represented accounting system franchisor in suit alleging claims against franchisee for breach of contract, misappropriation of trade secrets, and tortious interference with contract
- Represented international clothing manufacturer in copyright and trademark infringement matter regarding manufacturer's logo and marketing materials brought by its former advertising agency
- Represented developer of compressed air management software in copyright and trade secret matter

## **TRADEMARK LITIGATION**

- Represented insurance company in infringement matter related to use of its name and logo which had been used for over a century
- Represented large government contractor in infringement action regarding its nearly thirty year old name and logo
- Represented national restaurant chain in infringement actions seeking to prevent it from using its nationally recognized name and logo in certain local markets
- Represented music store in request for cancellation of trademark application brought by national chain of music stores
- Represented international garment manufacturer in trademark opposition proceeding
- Represented international clothing manufacturer in copyright and trademark infringement matter regarding manufacturer's logo and marketing materials brought by former advertising agency
- Represented petitioners and respondents in actions filed under domain name dispute policy of International Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)

## **BUSINESS LITIGATION**

- Represented financing company and manufacturer of wireless mobile switching centers and reseller of base stations, microwaves and other wireless telecommunications equipment in contract dispute regarding the design, deployment and operation of a wireless local loop CDMA network in war torn Iraq resulting in over \$45 Million judgment in favor of client
- Represented integrator of wireless telecommunications equipment and manufacturer of mobile switching centers in dispute regarding the integration and installation of a digital wireless telecommunications network
- Represented developer of customized office organization software in breach of warranty action

## **APPELLATE**

- Represented international laminate flooring manufacturer in patent infringement appeal before United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- Represented urgent care center in appeal of Trademark Trial and Appeal Board decision in opposition proceeding before United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- Represented manufacturer and reseller of computer classroom desks in appeal of invention conception dispute before United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- Represented financing company and manufacturer of wireless mobile switching centers and reseller of base stations, microwaves and other wireless telecommunications equipment in appeal of contract dispute before Maryland Court of Special Appeals

## **INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE**

- Represented large city in negotiations with telecommunications carriers for installation of fiber optic cable
- Represented Internet start-up company, advising on all aspects of new business model
- Represented related companies leveraging antibody to PCNA to develop immunohistochemical stain to diagnose malignant tumors and therapeutic drug leveraging same antibody to treat cancer
- Represented parties in technology transfer agreement negotiations with Universities
- Represented developer of rapid diagnostic system for the ultra-sensitive

detection of air borne and food borne pathogens, advising on all aspects of  
business