

Peter Brown



Peter Brown is widely recognized as a pioneer and thought leader in the field of information technology law and intellectual property. Mr. Brown is an experienced litigator, arbitrator, and mediator with broad experience in issues relating to software disputes, software licensing, patents, Internet apps, cybersecurity, and intellectual property. As a litigator he has conducted numerous bench trials, jury trials and arbitrations. He was formerly a partner at BakerHostetler and Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner where he was highly-regarded as an effective advocate and trial lawyer.

Mr. Brown has made alternate dispute resolution an important part of his current practice. For over a decade he has focused his efforts on the fields of arbitration and mediation. He has served as a Panel Chair, Panel member or sole arbitrator on over one hundred matters. He has been appointed to decide disputes relating to international patent licenses, social media services, data breaches, patent indemnities, software development agreements, fine art licenses, medical devices and equipment, international telephone services agreement, toys, music licensing, manufacturing defect claims, e-Commerce disputes, software ownership, breach of contract claims, trade secret claims and employment issues. Mr. Brown has served as private mediator on a variety of disputes, including matters relating to municipal information technology implementations, trademark and domain name ownership, and implementations of software systems for financial services organizations. He is qualified as a mediator on the panel of the Southern District of New York.

Technology and the protection of intellectual property has been a focus of Mr. Brown's commercial litigation practice throughout his career. He has appeared in federal and state courts across the United States as lead counsel and he has represented parties in numerous arbitrations. Some of Mr. Brown's cases were landmark disputes which set new legal standards in technology-related litigation.

Areas of Expertise:

- ATTORNEY FEE
- COMMERCIAL DISPUTES
- COMPLEX LITIGATION
- CONTRACTS
- DATA PRIVACY & CYBER SECURITY
- INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
- INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION
- PATENT
- TRADE SECRET
- TRADEMARK & COPYRIGHT

Professional Background:

Mr. Brown is a graduate of Dartmouth College and the Columbia Law School. He is a member of the New York Bar and is admitted to practice before the Courts of Appeals for the Second, Fourth and Ninth Circuits and before the United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern District of North Carolina, Central District of California, District of Connecticut, and District of New Jersey. At Dartmouth College, Mr. Brown served as an adjunct Professor of Computer Law for five years in its graduate computer science management program.

Mr. Brown is active in bar associations and international legal associations. He is a member of the New York City Bar Association (Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee 2012-15). He previously served as Chair of the New York City Bar's Computer Law Committee. A leader in the New York State Bar Association, Mr. Brown is the past Chair of the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section, which included over 2600 commercial litigators across New York State. He also served as Chair of that Section's Intellectual Property Litigation Committee. For the American Bar Association, he served as Co-Chair of the Computer Litigation Committee of the Litigation Section. Mr. Brown is active in the International Technology Law Association and served as a member of its Board of Directors for over a decade.

Representative Matters:

- Panel Chair, international patent license dispute regarding cell phone technology and disputed multi-million dollar license fees.
- Panel Chair, patent indemnity dispute relating to computer software and settlement payments.
- Panel Member, intellectual property license dispute regarding the estate of an internationally known fine artist and sculptor.
- Single Arbitrator, multi-million dollar contract dispute between a South American consumer telecom and a software and services provider.
- Panel Member, patent license fee dispute relating to the international sales of fluorescent light bulbs.
- Single Arbitrator, design patent license dispute regarding a popular children's toy and multi-million dollars claims for unpaid fees.
- Panel Chair, corporate dispute between joint venture partners relating to computer-based information services and corporate rights upon termination of the venture.
- Single Arbitrator, breach of contract dispute between a software developer and a crypto-currency platform.
- Single Arbitrator, dispute arising from a software development agreement in the hospitality industry involving unpaid fees and counterclaims.

- Single Arbitrator, two disputes involving one of the largest E-commerce platforms and vendors claiming breach of contract.
- Single Arbitrator, dispute arising from unpaid fees for an allegedly defective MRI machine.

Honors:

Peter Brown has been identified as a thought leader in the field of Information Technology law. He has been recognized by his peers for professional accomplishments, including the following:

- **Best Lawyers in America**[®] honored in the fields of Information Technology Law, Copyright Law and Technology Law for New York (2008-2021)
- **Best Lawyers in America**[®] honored as Lawyer of the Year in Information Technology Law in New York City (2014 and 2018).
- **Chambers USA** honored for Technology and Outsourcing (2012-21)
- **Who's Who Legal**, honored as one of the five "Most Highly Regarded" lawyers in the United States in the field of Information Technology Law (2016)
- **Superlawyers**, New York Metro Area, honored for Information Technology Law (2006-2021)
- **Who's Who Legal: Data** (2008-2021)

Publications:

Mr. Brown has been published widely for over twenty-five years on topics relating to Information Technology and Intellectual Property. Many of these papers have been circulated to supplement his speeches to the Practicing Law Institute, the New York State Bar Association, the International Technology Law Association and numerous other trade and bar groups. In addition, he has authored or co-authored the following:

- Co-author, Computer Law: Drafting and Negotiating Forms and Agreements, Law Journal Press.
- Co-author, Emerging Technologies and the Law: Forms and Analysis, Law Journal Press.
- Author, monthly column, "Technology Law" New York Law Journal and Law.com for over 25 years.
- Co-author, "Artificial Intelligence: Prepare for the Reinvention of Everything," The Current (PLI publications), Autumn 2017.
- Author, "Spyware and Pretexting: Recent Developments," The Computer and Internet Lawyer, June 2009.