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Areas Of Practice

Intellectual Property
Litigation
Patent Prosecution

Bar Admissions

Virginia
Michigan
U.S. Patent & Trademark Office

Education

George Mason University of Law,
J.D., 1988

Purdue University, B.S., 1983

- Chemical Engineering

Michael Gzybowski is an attorney in Dykema's Ann Arbor office. Mike considers himself an engineer who practices patent law. He enjoys working with inventors and company R&D personnel to fully evaluate and protect their inventions. After acquiring his engineering degree, Mike learned about the patent system from the “inside” by working as a patent examiner in the United States Patent & Trademark more than 35 years ago. Mike’s former experience as a patent examiner helps him advise clients prior to and during the examination phase of their patent applications, while his engineering background helps him work with clients to fully appreciate the scope of their inventions.

Today, Mike concentrates his intellectual property practice in preparing and prosecuting U.S. patent applications and assisting clients in obtaining foreign patents in many countries around the world. Mike has drafted and successfully prosecuted hundreds of patent applications over the years in many technical fields. In addition, Mike provides support for patent litigation, counsels clients on patentability, infringement, right to use, and validity issues, and prepares and evaluates licensing agreements, joint development agreements and other intellectual property-related agreements.

Last year, Mike was recognized by Martindale-Hubbell® for his “elite achievement” commemorating his 30th anniversary as a member of the Bar. In the same year, Mike has been recognized by his peers as a Leading Lawyer in intellectual property law and patent law. Mike’s devotion and professional commitment to clients is paralleled only by his dedication to community service, for which Mike was acknowledged as a recipient of the prestigious Jefferson Award. In addition, Mike is a prolific author of intellectual property-related articles that are published in his IP in Depth column and other media publications.

Memberships & Involvement

American Bar Association

Patent Office Society

International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI)

Awards & Recognition

Leading Intellectual Property Lawyer, Leading Lawyers Network, Law Bulletin Publishing Company, 2015, 2016