



With experience in civil and criminal litigation in federal and state courts around the country, Jeff Morgan has a depth of litigation experience that sets him apart from many of his peers. Recognized for his litigation expertise by Best Lawyers in America since 2019, he has litigated and tried complex business disputes, employee fraud, misappropriation of trade secrets, copyright, trademark, and patent infringement cases on behalf of clients ranging in size from individuals to Fortune 100 companies.

Before joining Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Jeff was an Assistant District Attorney for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a Special Assistant Attorney General for the State of Georgia, and a civil litigation partner in two AmLaw 100 law firms. Although much of Jeff's civil litigation experience lies in intellectual property disputes, he also has significant experience litigating complex business disputes involving mergers and acquisitions, breach of contract, employee theft and wrongdoing, and misappropriate of trade secrets.

Jeff also advises various individuals and companies in the entertainment industry, including rendering advice in contract negotiations, and disputes arising from breaches of such agreements.

While in public service, Jeff developed a deep bench of trial experience in a very short period of time, cultivating the ability to quickly discern what is important and what is not when it comes to developing a winning strategy.

In intellectual property litigation, Jeff has a particular affinity for copyright litigation. He has litigated copyright cases in New York, Nashville, and other jurisdictions ranging from disputes over the ownership and completion of a groundbreaking documentary film to disputes over ownership of photographs to claims of infringement of a musical theatrical composition.

Jeff's experience in trade secret misappropriation disputes is extensive and diverse, involving disputes of employee theft of trade secrets and corporate espionage in industries as diverse and complex as aeronautics,

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#### **EDUCATION**

Boston College, (J.D.), magna cum laude, 1996, editor of Boston Law Review

Bloomsburg University, (B.A.), English and theater, 1987

# **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Georgia

Massachusetts

#### **COURT ADMISSIONS**

U.S. Supreme Court

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Georgia

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia

U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin

### **LANGUAGES**

English

consumer products, medical cost management software, and industrial manufacturing machinery, as well as more garden-variety misappropriations such as customer lists and pricing information.

In trademark litigation, Jeff has litigated brand and trademark infringement disputes for companies in such disparate industries as social media, news and media outlets, restaurants, carbonated beverages, coffee, and playground equipment.

Jeff's patent litigation experience is also varied, involving claims of patent infringement for technologies such as mobile telephone networks, computer software, semiconductors, medical devices, and industrial manufacturing machinery and processes.

In addition to practicing law, Jeff is a professional actor. His extensive background in theater, film, television, and improvisational theater aid him in the courtroom. He offers not only legal skill and the ability to think on his feet, but also knowledge of how to deliver persuasive arguments.

# **Professional and Community Involvement**

Fellow, American Bar Foundation

Member, Atlanta Intellectual Property Inn of Court

Member, American Bar Association

Member, Federal Bar Association

Member, Georgia State Bar Association

# **Honors**

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#### **PRACTICES**

Commercial Litigation

Copyright Litigation

Intellectual Property

Litigation

Patent Litigation

Post-Grant and Inter Partes Review

Trade Secret Litigation

Trademark Litigation and Unfair Competition