



# Stuart B. Shapiro

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## Overview

Stuart Shapiro is a founding Member of Edell, Shapiro & Finnan, and has been involved in the intellectual property field since 1993. With an advanced degree in Electrical Engineering, an undergraduate degree in Computer Science, and related practical work experience, Stuart counsels clients in various matters pertaining to patent law, especially in the fields of computer hardware and software. Stuart's practice includes counseling clients with respect to patent portfolio management, performing IP due diligence for acquisitions, preparing and prosecuting patent applications before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, handling patent appeals before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, patent post-grant proceedings, preparation of patent-related opinions, and negotiating and drafting IP related agreements. In addition, Stuart has participated in various aspects of patent litigation including attending court hearings, and preparation of patent-related briefs. As a founding Member, Stuart oversees various contractual obligations pertaining to the operation of the firm and serves on the firm's diversity committee.

Stuart specializes in a wide variety of computer and related technologies, including:

- computer architecture, hardware, and software
- artificial intelligence (AI)/machine learning (ML) algorithms and systems
- Internet-related technologies
- mobile applications

- database and related technologies
- computer-controlled systems
- computer simulation systems
- computer networking
- medical devices

Stuart began his career in intellectual property at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office working as a Patent Examiner in the areas of artificial intelligence (AI), fuzzy logic, speech processing, and robotic control.

Before embarking on a career in intellectual property, Stuart gained several years of practical engineering experience as a software engineer for various major corporations.

In his free time, Stuart enjoys spending time with his family and friends, playing golf, and practicing yoga.

## Professional Affiliations

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)
- American Bar Association
- National Association of Business Owners and Entrepreneurs (NABOE)

## Education

- J.D., University of Baltimore, Baltimore, Maryland, 1995
- M.S., Electrical Engineering, The Johns Hopkins University, 1990
- B.S., Computer Science (Minor: Electrical Engineering), Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1986

## Admissions

- Maryland State Bar
- U. S. Patent and Trademark Office
- The Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

## Practice Areas

- Patent Prosecution

- Post Issuance Proceedings
- Counseling & Transactions

## Industries

- Communications and Network Architecture
- Computer and Software Engineering
- Consumer Products
- Electrical Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering