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Tonya's practice encompasses complex civil and commercial litigation matters at both the trial and appellate levels and in both federal and state court. She has significant experience in intellectual property litigation defending patent infringement suits (particularly in the Eastern District of Texas) and trade secret misappropriation claims. Tonya's intellectual property experience includes cases about battery technology, video games, electronic gift cards, internet advertising, check imaging, and online banking. Her practice also includes contract disputes, fiduciary claims, and general business and tort litigation.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represent Japanese telecommunications company in litigation involving patent rights to lithium battery technology.
- Represent national media company in patent infringement case involving software for managing radio inventory and revenue.
- Represent multiple national banks in three separate patent litigation cases involving check imaging and online banking.
- Represent national restaurant company in patent infringement case involving electronic gift cards; formerly represented national property group in case involving the same technology.
- Representation of a national manufacturer and distributor in the interactive entertainment industry in patent infringement suit regarding dance video games.
- Representation of a banking and financial services company in certificate-holder litigation involving its role as trustee for commercial mortgage backed securities trusts; successfully obtained judgment dismissing plaintiff's claims.
- Successfully defended a publicly traded Internet advertising provider in a suit involving business torts and breach of contract claims.

ARTICLES/PUBLICATIONS

- "Separate But Not Sovereign: Reconciling Federal Commandeering of State Courts" *Vanderbilt Law Review* (1999)

PRACTICE AREAS

Intellectual Property Litigation
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EDUCATION

JD, 1999, Vanderbilt University School of Law, Vanderbilt Law Review, Notes Development Editor
BS, 1996, *magna cum laude*, Accounting in the Honors College, Southwest Missouri State University, Presidential Scholar, Beta Gamma Sigma, University Honors Council

ADMITTED

Texas 1999
US Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
US Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
US District Court for the Northern District of Texas
US District Court for the Southern District of Texas
US District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
US District Court for the Western District of Texas

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BRIEFINGS, SEMINARS & SPEECHES

- Frequent presenter on evidentiary issues at University of Houston CLE courses.
- Speaker: *Ins and Outs of Patent Litigation in the Eastern District of Texas* (TAPS 2007)

PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

Member

- Dallas Association of Young Lawyers
- Dallas Bar Association
- American Bar Association

Listed - Texas Rising Star, Texas Monthly magazine (2008)

HEADLINE NEWS

- Andrews & Kurth Adds Associates (August 30, 1999)