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As head of the Litigation Section and the Intellectual Property Law Litigation Practice Group, Stephen has spent almost 40 years trying complex commercial cases in federal and state courts. Known for his hard work, Stephen has a long and successful record as a trial lawyer who focuses his trial practice on intellectual property law cases in the Federal Courts across the nation. As a former President of the Virginia State Bar's Intellectual Property Law Section and the local Federal Bar Association, he is particularly well known for his knowledge and ability to navigate the complexities of the Eastern District's "rocket docket" and has appeared in over 125 patent cases in all four of the District's Divisions along with many associated jury trials. Based on his trial experience and professionalism, Stephen has been inducted as a Fellow in the prestigious American College of Trial Lawyers.

PRACTICE CHAIRS

- Intellectual Property Law Litigation, Co-Chair
- Litigation, Head of Section for over 20 years
- Franchising

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Represented client in four-week jury trial case for the infringement of a series of patents covering video on demand and interactive services in Norfolk Division resulting in one of the largest verdicts in District
- Represented cybersecurity company in multi-week patent jury trial
- Defended locally-based national peanut company in antitrust litigation
- Co-counsel for major internet provider accused of infringing three complex patents in three and a half week jury trial in Norfolk Division
- Represented cybersecurity company in patent jury trial against competitor and separate six-week bench trial on ZOOM against major components manufacturer resulting in one of the largest verdicts in nation
- Represented cybersecurity firm in recent three week jury trial resulting in one of the largest verdicts in District
- Represented international computer company defending patent infringement claims in Richmond Division
- Defended major pharmaceutical company in Multi-District Antitrust Litigation in the Norfolk Division
- Represented several major pharmaceutical companies in patent infringement and antitrust class action cases in Norfolk Division
- Represented major internet provider in multi-week jury trial accused of infringing multiple patents in Norfolk Division
- Defended major internet provider in several patent infringement cases filed in all three divisions

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS (CONT.)

- Defended international manufacturer of outboard motors in three week patent infringement jury trial in Alexandria Division
- Represented international manufacturer of outboard motors in post-verdict proceedings in Norfolk Division
- Represented National Healthcare company in patent infringement claim against competitor
- Represented major nonprofit tissue transplant organization in three-week patent infringement jury trial
- Represented high tech security company in two-week patent infringement jury trial
- Represented international media entity in music copyright infringement claim within the Fourth Circuit and the Norfolk Division
- Represented client in wrongful termination counterclaim filed against and for a national distributor of delicatessen meats in trademark action filed in the Norfolk Division
- Represented international grocery store chain in defending against trademark infringement claims in Richmond Division
- Defended national grain supplier in trademark infringement and publicity matter in Richmond Division
- Represented claim for preliminary injunction for trademark and trade dress infringement brought against a Hong Kong entity in a week-long bench trial in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- Represented plastic components company in a two-week patent infringement jury trial in the Middle District of Pennsylvania
- Represented major patent portfolio owner in patent claims against computer manufacturers in various divisions of the Eastern District of Virginia

RECOGNITION AND HONORS

- Fellow, American College of Trial Lawyers (2010)
- American College of Trial Lawyers; Virginia State Committee, Former Board Member
- Virginia Law Foundation; Fellow, 2014; Board of Directors, President (2025); Board of Directors, Member and Officer
- Martindale-Hubbell; AV[®] Preeminent Rated
- Chambers USA; Tier 1 Rated, Intellectual Property Litigation
- Best Lawyers in America, 2002-2025
- Virginia Super Lawyers; Law & Politics, 2015, 2019-2024
- Virginia Super Lawyers; (listed in top 10, top 50, and top 100 lawyers overall), Intellectual Property Litigation, Law & Politics, 2006-2021
- Virginia's Legal Elite; Virginia Business Magazine, 2004-2024
- Go To Lawyer - Intellectual Property Law; Virginia Lawyers Weekly, 2022
- America's Leading Lawyers for Business; Chambers USA, Litigation and Intellectual Property, 2005-2014, 2016-2023
- Norfolk Litigation - Patent "Lawyer of the Year"; Best Lawyers in America, 2014, 2016, 2018, 2021, 2024
- Norfolk Litigation - Antitrust "Lawyer of the Year"; Best Lawyers in America, 2020
- Norfolk Litigation - Intellectual Property Law "Lawyer of the Year"; Best Lawyers in America, 2012, 2015, 2017-2019, 2024
- Virginia Super Lawyers Corporate Counsel Edition; Law & Politics, 2009-2010
- Top Lawyers; CoVaBIZ, 2017-2025

ASSOCIATIONS

- Virginia Law Foundation; President, Board of Directors
- Virginia State Bar; Past President, Intellectual Property Law Section
- Virginia Bar Association; Past Member, Governing Board, Intellectual Property Law Section
- Federal Bar Association; Tidewater Chapter, Past President
- l'Anson Hoffman American Inns of Court; Executive Committee, Past President
- Fourth Circuit Judicial Conference, Member
- American Bar Association
- American Intellectual Property Law Association

ASSOCIATIONS (CONT.)

- Virginia Professionalism Course; Past Presenter
- Virginia Professionalism in Law Schools; Past Presenter
- Norfolk-Portsmouth Bar Association
- Virginia Beach Bar Association
- Porsche Club of America, First Settler's Region (25-year member)
- Avid world class saltwater fly fisherman

ADMISSIONS

- Virginia
- United States Supreme Court
- Court of Appeals for the Federal and Fourth Circuits
- Eastern and Western Districts of Virginia
- Virginia Supreme Court

EDUCATION

- University of Virginia; B.A., with high distinction, 1982
 - Phi Beta Kappa
 - Resident, 50 East Lawn
 - Varsity Swimming and Diving
- University of Virginia School of Law; J.D., 1985
 - Dillard Fellow

PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS

- 36 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Top Lawyers 2025 in CoVaBIZ Magazine
- 51 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's "Legal Elite" 2024
- 55 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America© 2025, 7 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 13 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 15 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers and 5 Named as Virginia Rising Stars 2024
- 36 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys named as Top Lawyers 2024 in CoVaBIZ Magazine
- 53 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's "Legal Elite" 2023
- 54 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America© 2024, 6 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 10 Named "Ones to Watch"
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2023 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- 16 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers & 4 Named as Rising Stars
- 44 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys named as Top Lawyers 2023 in CoVaBIZ Magazine
- 53 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's "Legal Elite" 2022
- Stephen E. Noona Named As Virginia's Go To Lawyer
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America© 2023, 4 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 8 Named "Ones to Watch"
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2022 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- 17 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers & 3 Named as Rising Stars in Virginia Super Lawyers & Rising Stars 2022
- 40 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Top Lawyers 2022 in *CoVaBIZ Magazine*
- 52 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's "Legal Elite" 2021
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America© 2022, 4 Named "Lawyer of the Year," and 8 Named "Ones to Watch"
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2021 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- 19 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers & 3 Named as Rising Stars in Virginia Super Lawyers & Rising Stars 2021
- 40 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Top Lawyers 2021 in *CoVaBIZ Magazine*
- 53 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's "Legal Elite" 2020
- 46 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America 2021 and 5 Named "Lawyer of the Year" and 7 Named "Ones to Watch"
- 18 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2020 and 4 Named as Rising Stars 2020

PRESS AND PUBLICATIONS (CONT.)

- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2020 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- 45 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Top Lawyers 2020 in *CoVaBIZ Magazine*
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2019
- 45 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2020 and 3 Named Lawyer of the Year
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2019 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- 18 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers in 2019 and 6 Named as Rising Stars 2019
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2018
- 40 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Top Lawyers 2019 in *CoVaBIZ Magazine*
- 8 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2019 Lawyers of the Year
- 43 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2019 and 8 Named Lawyers of the Year
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2018 Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- 31 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2018 and 5 Named as Rising Stars 2018
- 31 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Top Lawyers 2017/18 in *CoVaBIZ Magazine*
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2017
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2017 Chambers USA
- 6 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2018 Lawyers of the Year
- 46 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2018
- Manufacturing & Distribution Client Advisory - June 2017
- 6 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2017 Lawyers of the Year
- 29 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2017 and 5 Named as Rising Stars 2017
- 48 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2016
- 40 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2017
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2016 Chambers USA
- 32 K&C Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2016 and 4 Named as Rising Stars 2016
- 44 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2015
- 42 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2016
- 32 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2014 and 7 Named as Rising Stars 2015
- 42 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers in America 2015
- 10 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers 2015 Lawyers of the Year
- 45 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2014
- 29 K&C Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2014 and 8 Named as Rising Stars 2014
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2014 Chambers USA
- 54 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2013
- 4 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2014 Lawyers of the Year
- 42 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America 2014
- 29 K&C Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2013 and 14 Named as Rising Stars 2013
- 55 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2012
- 41 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America 2013
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2012 Chambers USA
- 40 K&C Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2012 and 14 Named as Rising Stars 2012
- 53 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2011
- 9 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Best Lawyers' 2012 Lawyers of the Year
- 40 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named to Best Lawyers in America 2012
- Kaufman & Canoles' Noona as Co-Counsel Garner's One of the Largest Patent Infringement Verdicts Ever Awarded in Eastern District History-\$115 Million
- 36 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers 2011 and 14 Named as Rising Stars 2011
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2013 Chambers USA; America's Leading Lawyers for Business
- Kaufman & Canoles Named to 2011 Chambers USA
- A Modern Day Fairy Tale: Injunctive Relief in a Post eBay World: The More Things Change, the More They Remain the Same
- 39 Kaufman & Canoles Attorneys Named Virginia Business Magazine's "Legal Elite" 2010