



James Veltrop

Retired Partner

Hartford

PRACTICE AREAS

Intellectual Property

Litigation

EDUCATION

JD, cum laude – Harvard Law School (1986)

MA, summa cum laude – Missouri University (1983)

AB, summa cum laude – Missouri University (1981)

ADMISSIONS

Multiple federal district and appellate courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court and the Federal Circuit

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

PROFILE

Jim Veltrop's practice includes the evaluation of patent, trademark and trade secret claims and the provision of opinions regarding infringement and validity. He is extensively involved in the product development process, including assisting clients in navigating around the intellectual property rights of competitors and in designing their own patent strategies. He counsels clients regarding patent, Hatch-Waxman and antitrust issues raised by the development and marketing of new and generic drug products.

Jim also offers strategic advice regarding patent litigation. He has extensive experience litigating a wide range of intellectual property cases and other types of complex litigation, including supply-contract and other commercial disputes in the chemical industry. He has litigated major lawsuits and appeals alleging, for example, patent infringement, breach of license agreements and other contracts, interpretation of the Hatch-Waxman Act, trade secret misappropriation, trademark infringement and dilution, unfair and deceptive trade practices, illegal restraints of trade, attempted monopolization and various business torts.

CLERKSHIPS

- Law clerk to the Honorable Judith Rogers, District of Columbia Court of Appeals (1986-1987)

EXPERIENCE

- Vibram S.p.A. v. FILA U.S.A., Inc., No. 11-CV-11192-PBS (D.Mass.) (patent infringement)

- Tyco Healthcare Group LP v. Pharmaceutical Holdings Corp., No. 07-1299 (SRC) (D.N.J.) (patent infringement and antitrust counterclaims)
- Pfizer Inc. v. Actavis Group, No. 06-CV-8209 (S.D.N.Y.) (trade dress infringement)
- Adams Respiratory Therapeutics, Inc. v. URL/Mutual Pharmaceutical Cos., No. CV-06-4418 (E.D. Pa.) (patent infringement)
- Cushion Technologies, LLC v. Fila USA, Inc., No. 2:06-CV-347 (E.D. Texas) (patent infringement)
- INEOS Americas LLC v. The Dow Chemical Company, No. 06-CV-7152 (S.D.N.Y.) (breach of contract)
- Purepac Pharmaceutical Co. v. FDA, No. 03-CV-2282 (D.D.C.) (Hatch-Waxman exclusivity rights)
- Arthur Blank & Co. v. Moore North America, Inc., No. 02-CV-2282 (W.D. Tenn.) (patent infringement, antitrust)
- Rexon Industrial Corp. v. Ryobi Technologies, No. 302-CV-1264 (D. Conn.) (patent infringement)
- The Stanley Works v. Black & Decker, No. 399-CV-1087 (D. Conn.) (trademark infringement and dilution)
- The Ensign-Bickford Co. v. Walsh, No. 399-CV-1264 (D. Conn.) (trade secret misappropriation)
- Therma-Tru Corporation v. The Stanley Works, No. 97-CV-70166 (E. D. Mich.) (patent infringement)

HONORS

- “Lawyer of the Year” by *Best Lawyers*
- “Best Lawyers in America” by *Best Lawyers*
- “New England Super Lawyer” by *Super Lawyers*
- *Who's Who Legal: Patents*

