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楊明道律師專精於多種技術領域的專利訴訟和營業秘密辯護案件，從電腦運算的硬體到軟體、消費性電子產品到健身器材。楊律師已在美國聯邦地方法庭、國際貿易委員會 (ITC)、加州法院，和美國聯邦巡迴上訴法院承辦超過 40 件的訴訟案件。

以近 15 年的執業經驗，楊律師提供亞洲及美國客戶的諮詢服務包括訴訟、第三方複審程序 (IPR)、授權協商，及智財權組合管理。楊律師所處理業務的產業囊括電信、發光二極體、積體電路、功率放大器、電腦網路、雲端運算、觸控面板、和顯示裝置。楊律師榮獲《智慧財產權管理》評選為加州地區的“智財之星” (IP Star)。

楊律師所處理的爭訟業務包括主導牽涉多重法庭的專利授權爭議訴訟案件，幫助客戶在授權金部分爭取到極大的折扣。代表一攜帶式電子產品業界的小型新創公司，在一專利侵害訴訟案中，從該業界領導廠商獲得上百件專利之授權，以及在加州州法院為營業秘密案件進行辯護。

楊律師代表一積體電路公司在美國國際貿易委員會與無線技術產業之知名授權廠商所提出的專利侵權訴訟做辯護，獲判不侵權、專利無效、符合國內產業要件，大獲全勝。亦在積體電路、半導體、保全監控，及家電產業領域對非專利實施實體 (NPE) 所提出的各種主張作辯護，獲得無條件撤訴的結果。也曾代表一電腦網路設備供應商，就競爭對手提出專利侵權的指控作辯護，結果該競爭對手專利權人自動撤回所有請求。此外，在一不利於外國專利權人的確認之訴中，該判決撤訴，並在上訴至聯邦巡迴法院和最高法院階段，楊律師抗辯成功，維持訴訟撤回之判決。

楊律師經常就專利訴訟、授權、營業秘密、策略性智權組合管理，以及專利權實施等與智財有關的主題發表演說、授課及發表文章。楊律師曾在中國若干法學院及商學院擔任客座教授，講授專利訴訟課程，亦持續在台灣國立交通大學科技法律研究所擔任助理教授，講授專利訴訟及授權課程。楊明道律師分別獲頒台灣國立交通大學與交大機械工程系之傑出校友獎。

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Ming-Tao Yang focuses on litigating patent and trade secret suits relating to various technical areas, from computing hardware to software, and from consumer electronics to fitness equipment. He has litigated over 40 cases in federal district courts, the International Trade Commission (ITC), California state courts, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Ming draws on his nearly 15 years of experience to counsel Asian and U.S. clients on issues relating to litigation, inter partes reviews (IPRs), license negotiations, and portfolio management. He handles matters involving telecommunications, light emitting diodes (LEDs), integrated circuits (ICs), power amplifiers, computer networking, cloud computing, touch panels, and display devices. Ming has been recognized as an "IP Star" in California by *Managing Intellectual Property*.

Contentious work that Ming has handled includes managing and litigating a multi-forum patent license dispute, resulting in heavily-discounted royalty obligations. He litigated a patent infringement action for a small innovative company in the portable electronics industry, resulting in a license involving hundreds of patents from an industry leader. He has defended trade secret suits in California state courts.

Ming defended an IC company against patent infringement assertions in the ITC by a leading, well-known wireless technology licensor and prevailed on non-infringement, invalidity, and domestic industry. He has also defended various assertions by non-practicing entities in the IC, semiconductor, security surveillance, and home appliance industries and secured unconditional dismissals. He defended a supplier of computer networking devices against a competitor's patent infringement assertions, leading to the voluntary dismissal of all claims by the competitor-patentee. In a declaratory-judgment-action against a foreign patentee, Ming obtained a dismissal and successfully defended the dismissal during Federal Circuit and Supreme Court appeals.

Ming frequently speaks, teaches, and publishes on a variety of IP-related topics, including litigation, licensing, trade secrets, strategic portfolio management, and patent enforcement. He has served as an adjunct professor at several law schools and a business school in China, teaching patent litigation courses, and he continues to serve as an assistant professor at National Chiao Tung University Law School (NCTU) in Taiwan, teaching patent litigation and licensing courses. He received a Distinguished Alumnus Award from NCTU and from its Department of Mechanical Engineering.

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Harvard Asia Business Conference

March 4, 2018

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Global Forum on IP

August 29-September 1, 2017

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The Defend Trade Secrets Act of 2016: Trade Secret Strategy in an Evolving Legal Landscape

July 27, 2016

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Managing Intellectual Property* Recognizes Finnegan's U.S. Offices and Attorneys Worldwide as 2017 *IP Stars

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Managing Intellectual Property* Recognizes Finnegan U.S. Offices and Attorneys as 2016 *IP Stars

May 25, 2016

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Managing Intellectual Property* Recognizes Finnegan U.S. Offices and Attorneys as 2015 *IP Stars

May 8, 2015

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Finnegan U.S. Offices and Attorneys Recognized as Leaders in *IP Stars* 2014

June 13, 2014

PRESS RELEASE

The Superior Court of California Rules in Favor of Finnegan Client RichWave in a Trade-Secret Misappropriation Case

December 19, 2011

PRESS RELEASE

Finnegan Announces New Partners for 2011

December 7, 2010

Admissions

California
District of Columbia
U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit
Supreme Court of the United States
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Education

George Washington University Law School
J.D., with high honors, 2002

National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan
M.S., Mechanical Engineering, 1995

National Chiao Tung University, Taiwan
B.S., Electrical Engineering and Mechanical Engineering, 1994

Languages

Chinese

Ming-Tao's Practices

Patent Litigation
Appeals
ITC Section 337
Patent Trial
Patent Office Examinations
Prosecution
Patent Office Trials
IPR, PGR, and CBM
Patent Portfolio Management,
Monetization, and Transactions
Licensing, Pooling, and Other
Transactions
Portfolio Management
Trade Secrets

Ming-Tao's Industries

3D Printing and Additive
Manufacturing
Automotive
Business Method Patents
Digital Health
Electrical and Computer
Technology
Internet of Things (IoT)
Robotics
Semiconductor and Integrated
Circuits
Sports and Fitness