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Bill Hughet is involved in all phases of Federal Intellectual Property Law, including the preparation and prosecution of patent applications; patent interference practice before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences; and client counseling on patentability, patent validity, patent licensing, and patent infringement.

Mr. Hughet is a former patent examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, with responsibility for applications directed to computer software, networks, electronic commerce and business methods.

#### **Areas of Concentration**

- Counseling
- Licensing & Transactions
- Litigation
  - Appellate
  - Federal District Court
  - Patent Interferences
- Patent Prosecution
  - Electrical & Computers
  - Mechanical
  - Software, E-Commerce, & Business Methods
- Patent Reexamination

#### **Bar Admissions**

- Illinois
- District of Columbia
- Registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office

#### **Education**

- The University of Iowa College of Law, Juris Doctor (with distinction), 1992
- Iowa State University, Bachelor of Science, Computer Science, 1970

#### **Membership**

- American Bar Association
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Intellectual Property Owners Association

#### **Publications**

- "In re Bilski: The Federal Circuit Affirms the Patent Office's Rejection of Business Method Patent Claims"
- "The Granting of U.S. Business Methods Patents," International Legal Strategy, Vol. IX, No. 1 (January 2000)

- “The Computer Software Rental Amendments Act of 1990: A Solution to the Problem of Pirating Computer Software, or an Exercise in Futility?,” *The Journal of Corporation Law*, Vol. 16, No. 4 (1992)