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John is a partner in the Washington, DC Office of Sughrue Mion PLLC. His focus is on the protection and enforcement of designs and a wide range of electrical and mechanical technologies, including analytical/measurement systems, medical devices, HVAC systems, printers/copiers, telecommunications systems, data recording mediums, semiconductor fabrication, bearings, welding processes, sports equipment, footwear, and various automobile components, such as tires, transmissions, engines, fuel-injection systems, motors, lamps, steering systems, connectors/wiring, valves, and control/monitoring systems.

John represents both Petitioners and Patent Owners in Inter Partes Review proceedings, with emphasis in the automotive and mechanical industries. John regularly counsels client and presents on strategic considerations related to patent office trial practice.

He has industry experience as a mechanical engineer and is a former patent examiner. His legal experience includes patent application preparation and prosecution; reexamination and reissue applications; inter partes review; patentability, validity, and infringement opinions; patent appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences; and patent litigation.

Services

- Electrical / Mechanical
- Designs

Education

- University of Maryland, College Park (B.S.M.E.)
- University of Maryland, School of Law (J.D.)

Bar Admissions

- Court of Appeals for Maryland
 - District of Columbia
 - Maryland
 - U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Memberships

- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
- International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI)
- Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO)

Experience

- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 7,682,243 IPR2018-00157
- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 7,682,243 IPR2017-01082
- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 7,682,243 IPR2016-01918
- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 9,043,093 IPR 2016-01790
- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 7,241,034 IPR 2016-01740
- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 6,012,007 IPR2016-00366
- Inter Partes Review of U.S. Patent No. 5,732,375 IPR2016-00369
- Adaptive Headlamp Technologies, Inc. v. Toyota Motor Sales, USA, Inc., CA 15-779 GMS (D. Del. 2015)