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Areas of Practice

Shawn Lindsay is a skilled intellectual property, e-commerce and business lawyer. He acts as general counsel to international software consortia negotiating, drafting and overseeing enforcement of domestic and international software licenses and managing IP litigation. Shawn's experience includes representing clients with a wide variety of intellectual property needs, including representation in the following areas: software licensing, Internet, domain names, establishing IP rights, acquiring and transferring IP rights, and preserving IP rights.

As a member of the Firm's Emerging Company and Venture Investment Group, Shawn works with start-up ventures and mature companies in corporate formation/structuring, securing intellectual property rights and financing. On a pro bono basis, Shawn serves as general counsel to Special Olympics Oregon.

Shawn is a member of the Oregon State House of Representatives. Prior to joining the Firm, Shawn served as a law clerk extern to Judge Sam A. Crow, at the United States District Court for the District of Kansas.

Shawn has lived in Spain, speaks Spanish fluently, and is conversational in Catalán.

Admitted to Practice

Oregon
Washington
U.S. District Court, District of Oregon
U.S. District Court, Western District of Washington
Utah (inactive)

Academics

Washburn University School of Law (J.D., 2001)
Brigham Young University (B.A., 1997)

Practice Groups and Specialty Team Memberships

Business
Education
Emerging Companies and Venture Investment
Intellectual Property and Technology
International Business

Representative Matters and Clients

Autodesk, Inc. v. Open Design Alliance (U.S. District Court, Western District Washington)
Successfully defended and settled claims for trademark infringement, designation of origin and unfair competition

TV/Radio Interviews

“Redrawing the Battle Lines,” Interviewed by Oregon Public Broadcasting’s “Think Out Loud” Radio Show (May 23, 2011)

Interviewed by “Comcast Newsmakers” about various issues under discussion in the Oregon State Legislature (March 2011)

Publications

“Push on to Pass Benefit Corporation Legislation in Oregon,” *Sustainable Business Oregon*, Quoted (January 30, 2012)

“Choosing to Serve: Lawyers Put Public Interest Ahead of Personal Lives to Serve in Legislature,” *Oregon State Bar Bulletin*, Quoted (April 2011)

“Rules for Internet advertising, marketing,” *Oregon Business* magazine (September 2009)

“Changes to Noncompetition Agreement Laws ... Should I Care?” Software Association of Oregon’s Industry Update newsletter (February 2008)

Speaking Engagements

2012 Washington County Economic Summit, Co-host (January 12, 2012)

“Business and Tax Law Development,” Oregon State Bar 2011 Legislative Highlights Review Session (October 27, 2011)

“Legislative Update,” Multnomah Bar Association CLE (September 28, 2011)

“Baccalaureate Address to Class of 2011,” Lewis & Clark Law School (May 27, 2011)

“Cultivating Business Opportunities and 2011 Business Outlook,” Second Annual Washington Economic Summit (January 26, 2011)

“Sometimes It’s Easier to Ask for Forgiveness than for Permission,” J. Reuben Clark Law Society, Lewis & Clark student chapter (October 14, 2009)

“Taking It To The Bank: Billing and Collections,” AIA Portland (July 7, 2009)

“Intellectual Property: Licensing and Recent Developments” and “Entertainment, Media and Marketing Law,” Oregon Law Institute (June 12, 2009)

“Common Legal Issues for Entrepreneurs: Getting off the Kitchen Table,” Portland State University’s Business Accelerator program (February 2, 2009)

“Achieving your ‘Great Expectations,’” J. Reuben Clark Law Society, Lewis & Clark student chapter (February 4, 2009)

Awards and Honors

Named as one of the “Forty under 40” by *Portland Business Journal* (2012)

Named an “Up & Coming Lawyer,” *Oregon Daily Journal of Commerce* (2011)

Named as an “Oregon Rising Star,” *Super Lawyers* magazine, Intellectual Property (2010-2011)

Professional and Community Activities

Representative, Oregon State House of Representatives (elected office)

General Counsel, pro bono, Special Olympics Oregon

Board Member, J. Reuben Clark Law Society - Portland Chapter

Former Member, Oregon State Bar House of Delegates (elected office)
Precinct Chairperson, Oregon House District 30 (elected office)
Member, Oregon Entrepreneurs Network
Member, TechAmerica