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Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property

Admissions

- Arizona
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

Education:

- Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University(J.D., 2007)
  - Willard H. Pedrick Scholar; Certificate of Law, Science, and Technology
  - Three-time Center Scholar: Center for Law, Science, and Technology Fellowship
  - ASU Intellectual Property Students Association (President). Arizona Justice Project
  - CALI Excellence for the Future Award – Patent Preparation & Prosecution; CALI Excellence for the Future Award – Community Property
- University of Missouri(B.S., 2002)
  - Major: Computer Science

Benjamin Tietgen joins the Firm eager to launch the Phoenix office and help solidify the Intellectual Property Group. Ben's practice focuses on value-driven IP portfolio management, for prolific inventors, academic and research institutions, and companies of any size and global footprint. Ben advises on filing, pursuit, maintenance, and enforcement strategies for patents, trademarks, copyrights, publicity rights, and trade secrets, and all of the licenses and other contracts that arise in the IP context. Ben's technical expertise is in computer hardware and software, including cloud computing architecture, Internet of Things, AI and machine learning, and data security including blockchain applications; his clients have created and commercialized products and services across a broad range of high and low technologies, including software, computer hardware, proprietary circuits, medical devices, consumer goods, and industrial machinery. Ben is also looking to nurture an expanding entertainment law practice, representing mostly musicians but also other artists, artist's managers, and music and other media publishers.

Ben has lived in Phoenix a total of 24 years, but attended high school and college and met his wife, Ashlee, in Missouri. Ben and Ashlee, and their sons Jack (8) and Felix (7), live in South Phoenix and try to stay active in the community – Ben is President of the Board at his sons' charter school, was recently elected Chair of the Construction Advisory Board for the City's light rail extension project into South Phoenix, and is co-founder, Compliance Officer, and show host for KDIF 102.9 LPFM South Phoenix Radio, the community's non-profit, FCC-licensed radio station. When there is spare time, Ben plays bass in rock bands and practices taekwondo.