



## Ehsun Forghany

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Ehsun is a trial lawyer specializing in complex intellectual property disputes, with a particular emphasis on patent litigation.



### Industries

Life Sciences  
Consumer Products  
Fashion & Retail Law

### Practices

Patent  
Patent Litigation  
— Post-Grant Proceedings  
— Litigation: District Court  
— Section 337 ITC Litigation  
Complex Litigation  
— Commercial  
— Trademark & Unfair Competition Litigation  
Trade Secrets, Noncompetes & Employee Mobility

### International

Japan

### Education

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University of California, Davis, BA

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A nationally recognized litigator, Ehsun represents clients in high-stakes intellectual property disputes involving patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, false advertising, and unfair competition. He has successfully tried over 20 cases to verdict and has served as lead or co-lead counsel in some of the most complex technology cases venued across the country, including in US District Courts, the US International Trade Commission, and the USPTO's Patent Trial and Appeal Board.

Ehsun's experience ranges from representing Fortune 50 companies to early-stage startups in disputes related to smartphones, microprocessors, software, wireless communications, network management, telecommunications, medical devices, biotech and life science products, automotive, and consumer products. Among his victories, Ehsun helped a Los Angeles-based medical research foundation obtain a \$268 million judgment after the district court doubled the jury's damages award for willful patent infringement, making it one of the largest patent damages awards in California.

Ehsun frequently writes and speaks on developments in intellectual property law and is a sought-after commentator for publications such as *Bloomberg Law*, *The National Law Journal*, *The Daily Journal*, *Managing IP*, and *Law360*, among others.

### Client Work

#### District Court

- *Facet Tech., LLC v. LifeScan, Inc.*, No. 2-22-cv-01717 (C.D. Cal. 2024)  
Represented **LifeScan** as defendant in a patent litigation involving lancing devices for blood glucose testing; obtained a \$412k sanctions award against the plaintiff for discovery violations and a complete defense judgment after invalidating the asserted patent claims in a parallel post-grant proceeding.
- *SPEX Technologies, Inc. v. Apricorn, Inc.*, No. 2:16-cv-07349 (C.D. Cal. 2020)  
Represented **Apricorn** as defendant in a patent litigation involving hardware-based data

encryption on memory storage devices; obtained a judgement of non-infringement following a 12-day jury trial.

- *Ericsson Inc. v. TCL Comm. Ltd.*, No. 2:15-cv-00011 (E.D. Tex. 2020)  
Represented **TCL** as defendant in a patent litigation involving access control systems for mobile devices; obtained favorable judgment after the asserted patent claims were found invalid on appeal for reciting patent-ineligible subject matter under §101.
- *Blackbird Tech LLC v. Evernote Corp.*, No. 6:20-cv-00603 (W.D. Tex. 2020)  
Represented **Evernote** as defendant in a utility patent litigation involving multi-hierarchical data structure systems with user-defined metalabels; obtained a favorable settlement prior to the *Markman* hearing.
- *Gentex Corp. v. Galvion Inc.*, No. 1:19-cv-00921 (D. Del. 2020)  
Represented **Gentex** as plaintiff in a utility and design patent litigation involving military helmet systems with integrated or standalone mounting rails; obtained a pre-trial settlement on favorable terms, including a royalty-bearing license for past and future use of the helmet system patents.
- *Gavrieli Brands LLC v. Soto Massini Corp.*, No. 1:18-cv-00462 (D. Del. 2019)  
Represented **Tieks** as plaintiff in a design patent, trade dress, and false advertising litigation involving footwear with polymer-based outsoles; obtained a \$2.9 million judgment following a 10-day jury trial and a permanent, worldwide injunction.
- *Rimini Street, Inc. v. Oracle Int'l Corp.*, No. 2:14-cv-01699 (D. Nev. 2018)  
Represented **Oracle** as cross plaintiff in a copyright litigation involving the reproduction, distribution, and creation of derivative works from Oracle's PeopleSoft, JD Edwards, and Siebel software products; obtained a permanent injunction and a \$28.5 million attorneys' fees award.
- *Alfred E. Mann Foundation v. Cochlear*, No. 2:07-cv-08108 (C.D. Cal. 2018)  
Represented the **Alfred E. Mann Foundation** as plaintiff in a patent litigation involving cochlear implant technology; obtained a \$268 million judgment after the district court doubled the jury's damages award for willful infringement.
- *Five Star Gourmet Foods v. Ready Pac Foods*, No. 5:18-cv-02436 (C.D. Cal. 2018)  
Represented **Ready Pac** as defendant in a design patent and trade dress litigation involving container packaging and overwrap assemblies; obtained a favorable settlement prior to the *Markman* hearing.
- *Lyda v. CBS Interactive, Inc.*, No. 4:16-cv-06592 (N.D. Cal. 2017)  
Represented **CBS** as defendant in a patent litigation involving electronic voting systems for a remote audience of a televised broadcast; obtained sanctions award against the defendant and case dismissal at the pleading stage.
- *Memjet Tech. Ltd. v. Hewlett-Packard Co.*, No. 3:15-cv-01769 (S.D. Cal. 2016)  
Represented **Hewlett Packard** as defendant in a patent litigation involving multi-via inkjet printers and printhead assemblies; obtained global settlement on favorable terms.
- *Fujifilm Corp. v. Motorola Mobility Inc.*, No. 3:12-cv-03587 (N.D. Cal. 2015)  
Represented **Fujifilm** as plaintiff in a patent litigation involving color image data compression technology; obtained a \$10.2 million judgment following a jury verdict of patent infringement.

## International Trade Commission

- *Certain Flats with Colored Outsoles*, Inv. 337-TA-1428 (ITC 2025)  
Represented **Tieks** as complainant in a design patent-based investigation targeting certain footwear with polymer-based outsoles; obtained a determination of design patent infringement and a general exclusion order.
- *Certain Smart Wearable Devices*, Inv. 337-TA-1398 (ITC 2024)  
Represented **Oura** as complainant in a patent-based investigation targeting certain wearable smart ring devices and related mobile applications; obtained an initial determination finding the asserted patents valid and infringed.
- *Certain Routers, Access Points, Controllers*, Inv. 337-TA-1227 (ITC 2022)  
Represented **Hewlett Packard Enterprise**, **Netgear**, and **CommScope** as respondents in a patent-based investigation targeting certain networking hardware (e.g., access points, routers, switches, Wi-Fi extenders, and wireless LAN controllers) and related software products (e.g., web-based management platforms); obtained a final determination of no violation.
- *Certain Video Processing Devices*, Inv. 337-TA-1341 (ITC 2022)  
Represented **HP Inc.** as respondent in a patent-based investigation targeting certain processors that encode video data in H.265; obtained a final determination of no violation.

*Certain Batteries and Products Containing Same*, Inv. 337-TA-1244 (ITC 2020)

Represented **Ryobi** as complainant in a design patent-based investigation targeting certain lithium-ion battery packs for power tools; obtained a final determination of design patent infringement and a general exclusion order.

— *Certain Inkjet Printers and Printheads*, Inv. 337-TA-1011 (ITC 2016)

Represented **HP Inc.** as complainant in a patent-based investigation targeting certain multi-via inkjet printers and printhead assemblies; obtained favorable settlement after the investigation was instituted.

— *Certain Access Control Systems*, Inv. 337-TA-1016 (ITC 2016)

Represented **Ryobi** as respondent in a patent-based investigation targeting certain access control hardware (e.g., Wi-Fi enabled garage door openers) and related operating systems; obtained a final determination of no violation.

## Patent Trial & Appeal Board

— *Samsung Elec. Co., Ltd. v. Ouraring Inc.*, IPR2024-01078, -01079 (PTAB 2024)

Represented **Oura** as patent owner in multiple *inter partes* review proceedings challenging patents directed to wearable smart ring devices; case pending.

— *LifeScan, Inc. v. Facet Tech. LLC*, IPR2023-00712 (PTAB 2023)

Represented **LifeScan** as petitioner in an *inter partes* review proceeding challenging a patent directed to lancing devices for blood glucose testing; obtained a final written decision invalidating all challenged patent claims.

— *Canon USA, Inc. v. Slingshot Printing LLC*, IPR2023-00312, -00313 (PTAB 2023)

Represented **Canon** as petitioner in multiple *inter partes* review proceedings challenging patents directed to inkjet heater chips for sensing temperature on a multi-via printhead; obtained a final written decision invalidating all challenged patent claims.

— *Canon USA, Inc. v. Slingshot Printing LLC*, IPR2022-01416 (PTAB 2022)

Represented **Canon** as petitioner in an *inter partes* review proceeding challenging a patent directed to a fluid supply tank for a micro-fluid ejection head; obtained a final written decision invalidating all challenged patent claims.

— *HP Inc. v. Slingshot Printing LLC*, IPR2020-01085 (PTAB 2020)

Represented **HP Inc.** as petitioner in an *inter partes* review proceeding challenging a patent directed to a printhead ink supply for inkjet printers; obtained favorable settlement after PTAB instituted trial.

— *Olympus Corp. v. Papst Licensing*, IPR 2017-01617, -1682, -01808 (PTAB 2017)

Represented **Olympus** as petitioner in multiple *inter partes* review proceedings challenging patents directed to Wi-Fi drivers for wireless data transmission; obtained favorable settlement after PTAB instituted trial.

— *HP Inc. v. Memjet Tech. Ltd.*, IPR2016-00869, -00867, 00913 (PTAB 2016)

Represented **HP Inc.** as petitioner in multiple *inter partes* review proceedings challenging patents directed to multi-via inkjet printhead assemblies; obtained favorable settlement prior to PTAB institution date.

## Previous Work

— Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP, *Intellectual Property Disputes Group* (2014-2024)

— United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California, *Computer Hacking and Intellectual Property (CHIP) Unit* (2013-2014)

## Recognitions

— The Best Lawyers in America, *Ones to Watch* (2023-2026)

— Lawyers on the Fast Track: 40 under 40, ALM California Legal Awards (2022)

## Memberships

Ehsun has been inducted into the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation, an honorary society with membership limited to 1% of the lawyers licensed to practice in a jurisdiction.

## Professional Activities

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A recognized authority on patent law, Ehsun regularly serves as a guest lecturer at law schools, including the University of California, Berkeley School of Law, the University of California College of Law, San Francisco, and Santa Clara University School of Law.

Ehsun also presents on patent law developments at local and national conferences, including those for the San Francisco and Silicon Valley IP Lawyers Associations, the PTAB Bar Association, and the American Bar Association Intellectual Property Law Section.

## Boards

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Ehsun sits on the Board of Directors for Get Vocal for Victims, a 501(c)(3) organization created by experienced prosecutors and victim advocates to provide no-fee legal representation to crime victims.

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### Bar Admissions

California

District of Columbia

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### Court Admissions

[US Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit](#)

[US Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit](#)

[US District Court, Central District of California](#)

[US District Court, Northern District of California](#)

[US District Court, Southern District of California](#)

[US District Court, Eastern District of California](#)

[US District Court, District of Colorado](#)

[US District Court, Southern District of New York](#)

[US District Court, Eastern District of Texas](#)

[US District Court, Western District of Texas](#)