



# Peter Falkenstein

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Peter Falkenstein is a senior litigator in our Intellectual Property & Information Technology and Litigation & Dispute Resolution practice groups. He concentrates his practice in trademark, copyright, trade secret, and non-competition litigation; trademark and copyright licensing and registration; and, e-commerce, cyberlaw, antitrust, and general commercial litigation throughout the United States. Peter represents performing artists, authors, and publishers to ensure that their work is protected from inception and well into the future.

## Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property & Information Technology
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Emerging & Growth Business
- First Amendment & Media Law
- Privacy & Data Security

## Significant Matters

- Represented music publisher against federal court challenge by competing publisher to rights to the music catalogue of internationally renowned singer/songwriter. Won dismissal of all of plaintiff's claims on summary judgment

- Represented manufacturer of microbiological testing equipment in federal lawsuit against competitor involving claims of patent infringement, trade secret misappropriation, and other business claims. Obtained highly favorable settlement on behalf of client
- Represented former founder and leader of renowned southern rock band in trademark infringement suit against other former band members seeking to use the band's name in a reunion tour. Obtained highly favorable monetary settlement on behalf of client
- Represented popular national radio talk show host in negotiating and closing publishing agreement for new book

## Education and Admissions

### Education

- University of Michigan  
J.D.  
*Magna Cum Laude*
- University of Michigan  
Bachelor of Arts with distinction

### Bar Admissions

- Michigan
- New York

### Court Admissions

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania
- U.S. District Court for the District of Colorado
- Numerous *pro hac vice* admissions

## Affiliations

- State Bar of Michigan

- New York State Bar
- Washtenaw County Bar Association, Past President and Former Member of Board of Directors
- State Bar of Michigan Character and Fitness Committee, District G Panel, Former Member
- State Bar of Michigan's Representative Assembly, representing the 22nd Judicial Circuit for Washtenaw County
- State Bar of Michigan Standing Committee on United States Courts
- Thomas M. Cooley Law School Professionalism Advisory Committee
- Ann Arbor Zoning Board of Appeals, Former Member
- Legal Resource Center of Washtenaw County/Eastern Michigan University, Former Member, Board of Directors

## Recognition

- Michigan Super Lawyer in Intellectual Property Law
- Former President of the Washtenaw County Bar Association