

ADAM KESSEL

EDUCATION

Northeastern University School of Law, Boston, MA

Juris Doctor, May 2004

Research Assistant: Developed online privacy law course taught by Professor John Nockleby at the Harvard Berkman Center for Internet and Society (Summer 2003). Serving as teaching assistant for course (Fall 2003).

Law, Culture, and Difference Teaching Facilitator: One of twelve 2L/3L students selected to lead first year clinical course with a focus on diversity issues in the law (Winter 2002/2003).

Activities: Governing Council Class Representative, National Lawyer's Guild, Law School Ad Hoc Committee on Communications Technology, and Cooperative Income Sharing Program.

Academic Honors: Progressive Alumni Book Award, 2003.

Clinical experience in criminal defense, including court arguments pursuant to S.J.C. Rule 3:03.

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, minor in Linguistics, May 1998

Senior thesis involved lab research on combinatorial protein design, resulting in paper published in *Journal of the American Chemical Society*. Coursework in chemistry, physics, and molecular biology. Academic recognition given for undergraduate courses undertaken in *Mathematics*, *Computer Science*, and *Music* at **University of Vermont**, Burlington, and **St. Michael's College**, Winooski, VT, while a middle school and high school student (1987-94).

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Fish & Richardson P.C., Boston, MA

April 2007 – Present

Fifth-year Litigation Associate: managed patent litigation at all stages from pre-complaint investigation through trial and appeal; conducted direct and cross-examination at trial of fact and expert witnesses; worked in a variety of technical areas including computer software, semiconductors, chemical processes, and medical devices; supervised patent prosecution for startup clients; counseling and litigation involving trademark and copyright; wide range of *pro bono* representation focused on First Amendment and civil liberties, including multiple precedent-setting cases involving search warrants and computer crimes. Serving as “lawyer on loan” to Suffolk County District Attorney’s office from September 2009-February 2010.

Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks, P.C., Boston, MA

March 2004 – March 2007

Associate: Litigation associate in firm specializing in intellectual property. Personal practice is approximately 50% patent litigation, with remainder of time split evenly between copyright and trademark litigation and patent drafting/prosecution, primarily in the software/Internet area. Also prosecute chemical and biotech patents. Serve on public service committee and eDiscovery/litigation technology subcommittee. Performed *pro bono* IP counseling for several nonprofit organizations. Given business development award for “most interviewed” attorney in 2006.

Altshuler, Berzon, Nussbaum, Rubin & Demain, San Francisco, CA

September – November 2003

Legal Intern: Summer-associate type position at medium-sized litigation and appellate firm specializing in labor and employment, environmental, constitutional, campaign and election, and civil rights law. Drafted pleadings and memoranda in the areas of labor law, constitutional law, and civil procedure.

The Honorable Reginald Lindsay, U.S. District Court (D. Mass.), Boston, MA

March – May 2003

Judicial intern: Conducted research and wrote bench memoranda on various summary judgment motions concerning habeas corpus, patent cases, and legal malpractice. Also assisted in researching evidentiary issues during criminal trials.

Electronic Privacy Information Center, Washington, DC

September – November 2002

Legal intern: Assisted attorneys in advocacy organization by conducting research and writing memoranda on First Amendment, privacy, and intellectual property issues concerning the Internet and emerging technologies. Drafted comments to Federal Communications Commission. Edited textbook on information privacy. Wrote detailed preemption analysis of Internet privacy legislation in Congress.

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Consultant: Web and database programmer for dozens of clients including **Northern Telecom Meridian** in Paris, France (Summer 1995), employers based in Vermont, New Jersey, New Hampshire and Canada (1990 – 2004), and a small Boston-based general practice law firm, **Jason & Fisher** (2001 – 2004).

Hotel Employees Restaurant Employees, Local 26, Boston, MA September 1999 – August 2001
Research Analyst: Developed strategy on securities, zoning, and other regulatory matters. Served as sole information technology resource and decisionmaker for twenty-five person office.

Center for Neighborhood Technology, Chicago, IL September 1998 – August 1999
Research/Organizer: Conducted research and wrote reports on environmental and economic development policy issues affecting urban areas for a broad-based coalition of city and suburban grassroots organizations, civic groups, and governmental entities.

Miscellaneous – Held summer positions as a *Counselor* for **Princeton-Blairstown Center**, Blairstown, NJ, teaching conflict resolution and wilderness survival skills for at-risk youth (1998), and as a *Lab Associate* at **Lyons Lab**, Burlington, VT, designing and performing experiments towards a molecular understanding of the function of certain brain receptors in alcoholism (1997).

OTHER EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS

- Proficient with all operating systems (Linux, OS X, Windows), applications, and several programming languages, including C, Python, Perl, Ruby/Rails, PHP, and SQL. Debian GNU/Linux developer.
- Former President of Board (and founder) of two nonprofit organizations developing low-income housing.
- Experience and training in mediation and facilitation.
- Fluent in French.
- Gourmet vegetarian cook; jazz and classical pianist; folk and bluegrass guitar and banjo; cinephile.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Kessel, Adam, "IP Trends and Hot New Issues in 2007," Mass High Tech, December 29, 2006.
- Kessel, Adam, "Why eDiscovery Rules Will Change the Litigation Game," Managing Intellectual Property, October 2006.
- Kessel, Adam, "New E-discovery Rules Change Realities of Patent Litigation," New England In-House, October 2006.
- Kessel, Adam, "When in Doubt, Save the Data," Q&A in Legal Times, October 16, 2006.
- Kessel, Adam, with Albert, M, "IP Licensing: Burgeoning Internet Topics," Presentation at Licensing Executives Society Annual Meeting, September 14, 2006.
- Kessel, Adam, with Foster, J, "'Phillips' Leads to a Different Result in 'Nystrom'" National Law Journal December 5, 2005.
- Kessel, Adam, "Self-Help, Free Software, Privacy-Enhancing Technologies, and Cryptography," Berkman Center for Internet & Society at Harvard Law School, Privacy and Cyberspace Online Course, December 2003.
- Kessel, Adam, "Why They're Wrong About Critical Mass", in *Critical Mass: Bicycling's Defiant Celebration*, edited by Chris Carlsson, San Francisco: AK Press, 2002: 105-112.
- Kessel AJ, with Moffet DA, Certain LK, Smith AJ, Beckwith KA, & Hecht MH, "Peroxidase Activity in Heme Proteins Derived From a Designed Combinatorial Library," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 122, 7612-13 (2000).

REFERENCES

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