

Benjamin Bai

Benjamin is a partner and the head of the China IP practice for Allen & Overy. He has over 15 years of experience in protecting IP in China, U.S. and Europe. A native Chinese and U.S. trained patent lawyer, he concentrates on representing multinational companies in protecting, licensing, and enforcing IP rights in China and Chinese companies in resolving IP disputes outside China. With the unique combination of a Ph.D. in chemistry and strong expertise in international IP disputes, he is a trusted advisor to world's top companies on IP issues. His representative matters include: acting as lead counsel for multinational companies in patent infringement suits in China, including defense of Nokia in patent infringement suits brought by Qualcomm in China and handling of infringement suits against Chinese generic companies on behalf of global pharmaceutical companies; acting as lead IP counsel for complex technology transactions; advising Global 500 companies on IP licensing strategies and IP strategies for R&D activities in China; and resolving patent infringement disputes for Chinese companies outside China.

Benjamin is a prolific writer and frequent speaker on intellectual property issues. He has been an invited speaker on China IP issues around the world and has lectured extensively in the U.S., Europe, and China. He also has written numerous articles on IP protection in China and has more than a dozen scientific publications to his credit.

Recognitions

- Listed in International Who's Who of Patent Lawyers for 2012;
- Recognized by Chambers Asia and Legal 500 as a leading intellectual property practitioner in China for 2008-2012;
- Named by IAM (Intellectual Asset Management) Magazine as top IAM 250 - The World's Leading Life Sciences Patent Litigators for 2010, The World Leading IP Licensing Lawyers for 2010; and The World's Leading Patent Litigators 2011;
- Named as a top trademark practitioner in the 9th edition of the *Guide to the World's Leading Trade Mark Law Practitioners 2012*; and
- Listed as one of the °Top Lawyers in Houston by H Texas Magazine for 2009-2010.

Legal qualifications

- Admitted to the State Bar of Texas, USA
- Registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office

Academic qualifications

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law, 1997
- Ph.D., Chemistry, Rice University, 1992
- M.A., Chemistry, Rice University, 1990
- B.S., Polymer Chemistry, University of Science & Technology of China, 1987

Jasemine Chambers

As Deputy Administrator of the Office of Policy and External Affairs (“OPEA”) at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“USPTO”), Dr. Chambers assists the Administrator of OPEA in providing policy advice to the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and overseeing administration and support for all domestic and international intellectual property (“IP”) policy-related operations; congressional and legislative engagement, as carried out by the Office of Governmental Affairs; education and training, as carried out under the Global Intellectual Property Academy; global IP leadership through administration of the IP Attaché Program; and economic analyses, as carried out by the Chief Economist.

Dr. Chambers’ previous appointments at the USPTO include serving as Director of Technology Center 2900 where she oversaw the examination of design patent applications, as Director of Technology Center 1600 where she oversaw the examination of biotechnology, pharmaceutical, and organic chemistry patent applications, and as the USPTO's project coordinator in the creation of the Patent Cooperation Treaty Search and Examination Guidelines adopted by the World Intellectual Property Organization.

A former law clerk to Chief Judge Randall R. Rader of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, Dr. Chambers also has served on detail assignments at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, and the Department of State’s Office of Intellectual Property Enforcement.

Dr. Chambers received a B.A. with high honors in Biology from Agnes Scott College, a Ph.D. in Molecular Biophysics from the Florida State University, and a J.D. with honors from the George Washington University Law School. She is a member of the Maryland state bar and the District of Columbia bar, and is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Denny Chin

Denny Chin is a United States Circuit Judge for the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. He was sworn in on April 26, 2010.

Judge Chin graduated from Princeton University magna cum laude in 1975 and received his law degree from Fordham Law School in 1978. After clerking for the Honorable Henry F. Werker, United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, he was associated with the law firm Davis Polk & Wardwell from 1980 to 1982. He served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York from 1982 until 1986, when he and two of his colleagues from the U.S. Attorney's Office started a law firm, Campbell, Patrick & Chin. In 1990, he joined Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C., where he specialized in labor and employment law.

From September 13, 1994, through April 23, 2010, Judge Chin served as a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. He presided over both civil and criminal cases, including cases involving Megan's Law, the Million Youth March, Al Franken's use of the phrase "Fair and Balanced" in the title of a book, the Naked Cowboy, the Google Books settlement, and the United Nations Oil for Food Program. He also presided over the trial of an Afghan warlord charged with conspiring to import heroin and the guilty plea and sentencing of financier Bernard L. Madoff.

Judge Chin was born in Hong Kong. He was the first Asian American appointed a United States District Judge outside the Ninth Circuit. As of April 2012, he was the only active federal appellate judge of Asian American descent in the country.

Mark A. Cohen

Mark Cohen is a Visiting Professor at Fordham Law School. Prior to joining Fordham from private practice in the 2011, Prof. Cohen had over 25 years private, public sector, in-house and academic experience on IPR issues in China, including serving for four years as the first intellectual property attaché at the US Embassy in Beijing. His recent writings and interests include: contributing to the intellectual property chapter of Antimonopoly Law and Practice in China (Oxford University Press 2011), “How an IP Lawyer Sees China’s Progress in Competition Law” (Juris Publishing 2012), a forthcoming note in the Fordham Law Review on “International Law Firms in China: Market Access And Ethical Risks” and serving as the author and webmaster of the blog: www.chinaipr.com. Since March of 2011 he has also begun serving as a Senior Advisor on Chinese intellectual property matters to David Kappos, the Under Secretary for Intellectual Property at the US Patent and Trademark Office.

In addition to this program at Fordham, he recently cohosted a seminar in Beijing on March 12 on innovation and intellectual property issues in China and he is in charge of the organizing committee for the joint judicial conference of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and China’s Supreme People’s Court, scheduled for May 28-30.

He holds a J.D. degree from Columbia University (1984), an M.A. from the University of Wisconsin in Chinese Language and Literature (1979) and a B.A. from the State University of New York at Albany in Chinese Studies (1977). He was formerly an exchange student at Nanyang University, Singapore. He speaks and reads Chinese and is admitted to practice in the District of Columbia.

William Hennessey

William Hennessey is a Professor in the School of Law and in the Asian Studies Program at the University of New Hampshire, where he teaches courses in intellectual property law, international law, and Chinese literature and culture. He has a B.A. from Brown University, a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan, and a J.D. from Franklin Pierce Law Center. He has taught at several Chinese law schools, including Tsinghua University School of Law (Fulbright Lecturer 1998) and the Chinese University of Law and Politics, Beijing. He also taught Chinese literature and culture at Oberlin College and at the University of Illinois-Urbana/Champaign. He is admitted to practice before the USPTO, the State of New Hampshire, U.S. First and Federal Circuit Courts of Appeal, and the U.S. Court of International Trade. He practiced IP law for 14 years in the firm of Hayes, Soloway, Hennessey, Grossman, and Hage in Manchester, New Hampshire. In addition to his casebooks in International IP Law and Policy (Mathew Bender 2008) and International Patent Law and Policy (Mathew Bender 2002), he edits International Patent Litigation: A Country By Country Analysis (with Meller and Tramposch, BNA 2012) and writes generally on intellectual property and economic development. He has worked as a consultant to the USPTO, the US Agency for International Development, the World Bank, the World Intellectual Property Organization, the Asian Development Bank, and the Legislative Drafting Office, State Council of the People's Republic of China. Bill's current research interest is in the interactions between cultural and economic values, creativity, and innovation.

He Jing

Mr. He has advised clients on complex patent, trademark and copyright enforcement matters for over 12 years. Some of the matters he successfully advised on were selected as top cases by the Supreme People's Court and provincial higher people's court. Legal Media selected him as a "Leading Patent Practitioner" in 2011. Mr. He has rich experience in IP portfolio strategies, technology transfer and branding contracts. He frequently advises on IP policy issues. He led a team to assess the impact of EU-China IPR2 projects in 2011. He is an expert member of the MOFCOM Overseas IP Enforcement Assistance Center.

Mr. He graduated from Peking University with a B.Sc. (1996) in Physics and LL.B. (1997) in Intellectual Property Law. He obtained his Juris Doctor from the University of Notre Dame in 2000. He was admitted into the State Bar of California in 2000.

Mr. He is a member of American Bar Association. He is also a Fellow at Renmin University School of Law IP Institute and a member of Legal Committee of International University Sports Federation.

Mark Janis

Mark D. Janis teaches courses in patents, trademarks, and other areas of intellectual property law at the Indiana University Maurer School of Law in Bloomington, Indiana, where he is the Robert A. Lucas Chair of Law and the Director of the Center for Intellectual Property Research. Professor Janis has authored a number of books, including the treatise "IP and Antitrust" (with Hovenkamp, Lemley and Leslie), two casebooks (Trademarks and Unfair Competition: Law and Policy (3d. Ed.), and Trade Dress and Design Law, both with Dinwoodie) and other books on trademark law (with Dinwoodie). He has published numerous law review articles and book chapters on patent law, intellectual property and antitrust, trademark law, as well as intellectual property protection for plants and plant biotechnology.

Professor Janis is the winner of a Collegiate Teaching Award and a Faculty Scholar Award (both from the University of Iowa College of Law), and INTA's Ladas Award in 2008.

Prior to joining the faculty at Indiana, he was the H. Blair & Joan V. White Chair in Intellectual Property Law at the University of Iowa College of Law. He practiced patent law at Barnes & Thornburgh (Indianapolis) from 1989 to 1995.

David Kappos

David Kappos is the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office. In this role, he advises the President, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Administration on intellectual property matters.

Over a 20-year career in intellectual property, Mr. Kappos has accrued deep knowledge of the intellectual property system and broad respect from professionals across the field. Mr. Kappos directs an office that provides incentives to encourage technological advancement and helps businesses protect their investments, promote their goods and services and safeguard against deception in the marketplace. The Office continues to deal with a patent application backlog of more than 700,000, long waiting periods for patent review, information technology systems that are regarded as outdated and an application process in need of reform.

Before joining the USPTO, Mr. Kappos served as Vice President and Assistant General Counsel for Intellectual Property at IBM. Mr. Kappos managed IBM's patent and trademark portfolios – protecting and licensing intellectual property worldwide. He has served on the Board of Directors of the American Intellectual Property Law Association, the Intellectual Property Owners Association, and the International Intellectual Property Society. He has held various other leadership positions in intellectual property law associations in Asia and the U.S. and has spoken widely in Asia, Europe and the U.S. on intellectual property topics.

Mr. Kappos received his Bachelor of Science degree in electrical and computer engineering from the University of California-Davis in 1983, and his law degree from the University of California Berkeley in 1990.

Charles Mauro

Charles L Mauro, CHFP is President of MauroNewMedia, a New York-based consulting firm specializing in usability engineering and user interface design, founded in 1975. Over his 35 year career, Charles has been retained by many leading corporations and startups covering a wide range of industry sectors, including financial services, consumer products, industrial systems, and military applications. He holds numerous US and international patents covering GUI and product design. He has been responsible for complex GUI design solutions currently running on major world markets. Charles is the Chairman of the Design Protection Section of the Industrial Designers Society of America and is the IDSA liaison to the USPTO for Design Day 2011-12. He has lectured on GUI design and usability at MIT, Stanford University and other leading educational institutions. Charles has been retained as an expert witness in over 50 major cases representing leading high technology companies covering GUI and product design patent litigation. He has received awards and citations from the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society, Association of Computing Machines and, NASA. He has been quoted in Science, New York Times, BusinessWeek, Wall Street Journal. He writes on User Experience Design related trends on the blog [Pulse>UX](#). He has a BS in Industrial Design from The Los Angeles Art Center College of Design and a Masters Degree in Ergonomics and Biomechanics from NYU. Mr. Mauro is also the founder and leader of the NYTECH event series “Designing the User Experience”.

Carl Minzner

Carl Minzner is a professor of law at Fordham University School of Law, and an expert in Chinese law and governance. He has written extensively on these topics in both academic journals and the popular press. Prior to joining Fordham, he was an Associate Professor of law at Washington University in St. Louis. In addition, he has served as Senior Counsel for the Congressional-Executive Commission on China, International Affairs Fellow for the Council on Foreign Relations, and Yale-China Legal Education Fellow at the Xibei Institute of Politics and Law in Xi'an, China. He was an Associate at McCutcheon & Doyle in Palo Alto, CA, and Law Clerk for the Hon. Raymond Clevenger of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Thomas Moga

Thomas T. Moga is a patent attorney with the Washington DC office of Shook, Hardy & Bacon where he focuses on patent preparation and prosecution as well as on licensing, litigation and dispute resolution. His primary experience is in development and enforcement of domestic and foreign patent portfolios for US pharmaceutical and chemical companies. Mr. Moga holds a BS degree in biochemistry and a degree in law. He is an experienced patent prosecutor in the mechanical, chemical, biochemical and pharmaceutical arts and has been qualified and has testified as an expert witness in patent disputes. Mr. Moga is the author of a multi-volume treatise on patent law in Asia. Articles of his on amendments to China's patent law and licensing practice in China appeared in recent issues of the *China Business Review*.

Mr. Moga has been involved in intellectual property training programs both at home and abroad. He spent part of 1997 as a Fulbright Scholar in China where he taught patent law at Jilin University and acted as a foreign advisor to China's State Intellectual Property Office. In 1990 Mr. Moga was a visiting foreign expert in law at Xiamen University, China. Before that he worked as a resident foreign expert for Saint Island Patent and Trademark Law Office, Taipei. Mr. Moga is currently an adjunct professor of law at the University of Toledo School of Law and is on the Board of Advisors for the Cooley School of Law's LLM program in intellectual property. He is the Chairman of the AIPLA's Special Committee on Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge, and Folklore. Mr. Moga was named in a recent edition of Legal Media Group's *Guide to Leading Practitioners: China*.

John Orcutt

John Orcutt is the Associate Dean for Faculty Research and a Professor of Law at the University of New Hampshire School of Law in Concord, New Hampshire (USA). Prof. Orcutt, who was selected UNH Law's "Teacher of the Year" for five straight years (2004-2008), teaches and researches in a variety of business law and IP areas. He recently co-founded UNH Law's Intellectual Property Valuation Institute and its International Technology Transfer Institute (which is a specialized research and consulting center that seeks to help countries throughout the world foster economic development by improving the flow of publicly-funded innovations from universities and research institutes into the commercial sector). Prof. Orcutt is the immediate past-chair of New Hampshire's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research.

Before coming to UNH Law, Prof. Orcutt worked as a technology investment banker with Robertson Stephens in Silicon Valley and as a capital markets attorney with Shearman & Sterling in its New York, New York and Paris, France offices.

Prof. Orcutt is the recent author of two books:

1. Patent Valuation: Improving Decision Making through Analysis (2012)
2. Shaping China's Innovation Future: University Technology Transfer in Transition (2010)

Joel Reidenberg

Joel R. Reidenberg holds the Stanley D. and Nikki Waxberg Chair in Law and is the Founding Academic Director of the Center on Law and Information Policy at Fordham University School of Law. He is currently serving as the President of Fordham University's Faculty Senate and previously held the position of Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and Associate Chief Academic Officer of the University. Reidenberg's published books and articles explore both information privacy and information technology law and policy. He teaches courses in Intellectual Property Law, Internet Law and Information Privacy. He has served as an expert adviser to the U.S. Congress, the Federal Trade Commission and the European Commission. He has also chaired the Section on Defamation and Privacy of the Association of American Law Schools (the academic society for American law professors) and is a former chair of the association's Section on Law and Computers.

Reidenberg received an A.B. degree from Dartmouth College, a J.D. from Columbia University, and both a D.E.A. droit international économique and a Ph.D in law from the Université de Paris - Sorbonne. He is admitted to the Bars of New York and the District of Columbia.

Richard P. Suttmeier

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Chen Wang

Chen Wang is Deputy Chief Intellectual Property Counsel at E.I. du Pont de Nemours and Company, in Wilmington, Delaware. She manages a staff of patent professionals and engages in corporate mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property counseling, IP strategy formulation and implementation, and negotiation of technology license agreements, supply agreements, technology development/research agreements, government contracts, as well as joint venture formation and dissolution agreements. Prior to joining DuPont, Ms. Wang was an associate of Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione in Chicago, Illinois.

Ms. Wang has written and given presentations on wide range of domestic and international practice topics, including IP strategy formulation and IP due diligence in M&A transactions, IP Licensing, Patent Cooperation Treaty practice, to intellectual property procurement and enforcement, and doing business in China.

Ms. Wang is immediately past Chair of the DuPont Minority Counsel Network. She is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), and previously served as a member of the Nominating Committee, Chair of the Corporate Practice Committee, Chair of the International and Foreign Law Committee and Chair of the Patent Cooperation Treaty Issues Committee.

Ms. Wang earned her J.D. in 1994 from Northwestern University School of Law in Chicago, Illinois, and her Bachelor of Science in Engineering, Chemical Engineering in 1990 from the University of Michigan, College of Engineering in Ann Arbor, Michigan. She is admitted to the Illinois bar, and is registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Yin Xintian

Graduated in 1977 from Chongqing University with the major of Industry Automation Instrument, graduated in 1981 from the Postgraduate School of University of Science and Technology of China, and obtained MA degree.

Had further education in the US Patent and Trademark Office for six months, in Germany Federal Patent Office and Germany Federal Patent Court for six months, in John Marshall Law College (Chicago) for three months, and carried out research work in the Intellectual Property Research Institute of Max Planck Institute of Germany for six months.

Has worked with the State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) since 1982, Senior Member of the Patent Appeal Board and Director of Physical Appeal Chamber, Deputy Director General of the Administrative Department of Patent examination, and Director General of the Legal Affairs Department, News Spokesman of SIPO, and now the senior partner of Wan Hui Da IP Agency.

Councilor of China Law Society, Standing Councilor of Intellectual Property Research Association of China, Pluralistic Professor of Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Pluralistic Professor of South-West University of Politics and Law, Honored Professor of Economy Law College of China University of Politics and Law.

Took responsibility to prepare on behalf of SIPO the draft for the second revision on the Chinese Patent Laws and its Implementation Regulations and took part in the full course of the revision in the State Council and National People's Congress. Delegated to take part in the various meetings of the Standing Committee of Patent (SCP) of WIPO

Published the *Protection for Patent* in 1998; published the *Detailed Interpretation of New Patent Law* in 2001, compiled *Guidance on Secondary Modification of Patent Law* and the *Guidance on Secondary Modification of Implementation Rules of Patent Law* in 2001; published the *Introduction to Patent Agency* in 2002; published the *Protection for Patent (Second Edition)* in 2005, published the *Introduction of the Patent Law of China* in 2011, totally amount for about 4.5 million Chinese words; released dozens of essays and articles on various domestic as well as foreign intellectual property journals.

Peter Yu

Peter K. Yu (余家明) holds the Kern Family Chair in Intellectual Property Law and is the founding director of the Intellectual Property Law Center at Drake University Law School. He is also a Wenlan Scholar Chair Professor at Zhongnan University of Economics and Law in Wuhan, China. Before joining Drake University, he founded the nationally-renowned Intellectual Property & Communications Law Program at Michigan State University, at which he held faculty appointments in law, communication arts and sciences, and Asian studies.

Born and raised in Hong Kong, Professor Yu is a leading expert in international intellectual property and communications law. He also writes and lectures extensively on international trade, international and comparative law, and the transition of the legal systems in China and Hong Kong. A prolific scholar and an award-winning teacher, he is the author or editor of five books and more than 80 law review articles and book chapters. He serves as the general editor of *The WIPO Journal* and the editor of two book series.

Professor Yu has spoken at events organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization, the International Telecommunication Union, the U.N. Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the Chinese, U.S. and EU governments and at leading research institutions from around the world. His lectures and presentations have spanned more than 25 countries on all continents except Antarctica. He is a frequent commentator in the national and international media. His publications, which have appeared in Chinese and English and been translated into Arabic, French, Japanese, Persian, Portuguese, Spanish, and Vietnamese, are available on his website at www.peteryu.com.

Yu Zhou

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Elaine Wu

Elaine T.L. Wu is an attorney in the Office of Policy and External Affairs the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. In that capacity, Ms. Wu is responsible for providing legal and technical assistance to foreign governments to assist them in complying with their international intellectual property law obligations, analyzing U.S. legislative proposals and participating in the development and implementation of changes to the patent laws, developing U.S. positions in coordination with other U.S. Government agencies on intellectual property for international multilateral and bilateral agreements, and negotiating various patent law related issues with foreign governments, on behalf of the U.S. government. Ms. Wu also serves as the team lead for the “China team”, a group of attorneys at the Office of Policy and External Affairs with specific expertise and knowledge about China’s patent, trademark, copyright and enforcement system.

Prior to coming to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 11 years ago, Ms. Wu worked as a patent litigation associate at Howrey, Simon, Arnold and White in Washington, D.C. Ms. Wu has also worked at the International Trade Commission’s Office of Unfair Import Investigation where she handled legal issues relating to Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative’s Office of China Affairs.

Ms. Wu received her law degree from the Washington College of Law at the American University in Washington D.C. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree with honors from the University of Florida. She is licensed to practice law in the District of Columbia and in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Kira Alvarez

Kira Alvarez is Chief Negotiator for Intellectual Property Enforcement and Deputy Assistant U.S. Trade Representative in the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative. As such, she is responsible for all matters concerning the enforcement of intellectual property rights globally, with a special focus on China. In this capacity she serves as the co-chair of the U-S China Joint Committee on Commerce and Trade (JCCT) Intellectual Property Rights Working Group. Ms. Alvarez was also the Lead US negotiator of the Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA).

Before Ms. Alvarez rejoined USTR, she had several positions in the private sector, working in both the media/entertainment and pharmaceutical industry. During her previous career at USTR she was the lead U.S. negotiator for IPR in several Free Trade Agreements and was also responsible for USTR's annual Special 301 review of IPR protection around the world.

She has a Master's degree and a Law degree from Georgetown University and a Bachelor's degree from Harvard University.