
WilmerHale's Seth Waxman Receives Distinguished IP Professional Award

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Partner [Seth Waxman](#) was recently presented with the Intellectual Property Owners Education Foundation's (IPOEF) Ninth Distinguished IP Professional Award.

"Seth Waxman has devoted a significant part of his career and acumen as an appellate lawyer to advancing intellectual property law," said Intellectual Property Owners Association Executive Director Mark Lauroesch in a news release. "His skill in oral argument before the Supreme Court is exceptional, as is his commitment to pro bono work. He truly embodies the title of this award."

According to the IPOEF, the award is given to "an individual who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership in the IP community and a lifetime commitment to invention and innovation."

Waxman, co-chair of the firm's [Appellate and Supreme Court Litigation Practice](#) and Solicitor General of the US from 1997 to 2001, has been called "arguably the most important intellectual property lawyer in America" and "the premiere Supreme Court advocate of our generation." He has argued 78 cases before the US Supreme Court and many more in the federal circuits and other US and state courts.

This Supreme Court term, Waxman has argued three IP cases: *Samsung v. Apple*, *First Quality v. SCA*, and *Life Technologies v. Promega*. In previous terms, he has argued IP cases including *Commil v. Cisco*, *Limelight v. Akamai*, *Pom Wonderful v. Coca Cola*, *Medtronic v. Boston Scientific*, *Monsanto v. Bowman*, *Microsoft v. i4i*, *eBay v. MercExchange*, and *Intel v. AT&T*.

"I'm both touched and honored to be included in the company of previous recipients of this award, people like Judges Alan Lourie, Pauline Newman and Paul Michel," Waxman said.

[View the IPOEF's video about Waxman.](#)