

JOHN R. WILLIAMS

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Licensed to practice law in Texas, New York and Washington, D.C.

EXPERIENCE

International Business Machines Corp., Austin, Texas

Staff Counsel, Systems & Technology Group, January 2002-Present

Provide general corporate legal support for a division of the IBM Systems Group with combined revenue of \$19 billion in 2004. Negotiate and draft hardware and software development, licensing, confidentiality and various related agreements, including deals involving equity investment. Review product marketing and public relations materials for Systems Group hardware products. Advise executive management on issues related to intellectual property, licensing, employment law, products liability, data integrity, privacy, Internet law, and various site-related matters at the Austin facility.

Wayport, Inc., Austin, Texas

Associate General Counsel, October 1999-December 2001

Advised senior management on legal issues with respect to activities of a start-up facilities-based Internet service provider. Drafted and negotiated complex facilities-based Internet service provider agreements, licensing agreements, IP bandwidth agreements, nondisclosure agreements, equipment and real property leases, and various other agreements. Managed paralegal and administrative support staff.

Haynes & Boone, LLP, Austin, Texas

Associate, November 1995-September 1999

Advised start-up and emerging growth IT companies on relevant aspects of Internet law and policy related to company Web sites and other activities involving e-commerce, copyrights and trademarks, free speech, privacy and related areas. Drafted, reviewed and negotiated Internet Web site development and hosting agreements, technology license agreements, development agreements, reseller agreements, software consulting agreements, system integration agreements, supply/distribution agreements and strategic alliance/co-marketing agreements for start-up and emerging growth technology companies. Advised underwriters and companies on relevant aspects of federal securities laws.

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Cyberspace and the Law,” MIT Press (2007).

“Copyright on the WWW,” with Watson, Robert; *Seton Hall Constitutional Law Journal*, Volume 14, Number 6 (Summer 2005).

“Current Issues in Internet Law,” The University of Texas School of Law - 19th Annual Computer Law Conference, Austin, Texas (May 2009).

“The Future of Peer to Peer on Wireless Networks,” The Austin Mobility Roundtables, Austin, Texas (March 2004).

“Shrink-wrap, Click-wrap and Web-wrap Contracts,” The University of Texas School of Law - 15th Annual Computer Law Conference, Austin, Texas (May 2003).

“E-commerce – A Glimpse Into the Future,” State Bar of Texas, Austin, Texas (December 2004).

EDUCATION

The University of Texas School of Law, Austin, Texas

J.D. received May 1995

GPA: 3.67

INTERNATIONAL LAW JOURNAL, Staff Writer

Thurgood Marshall Legal Society, Member

Howard University, School of Liberal Arts, Washington, D.C.

B.A., *magna cum laude* in Political Science with a minor in Spanish, received May 1992

GPA: 3.84

University of California, Berkeley, California

Domestic Exchange Program, Fall 1990

ACTIVITIES

American Corporate Counsel Association, Austin Chapter, President, 2007 - Present

Austin FreeNet (non-profit to provide free Internet access to public), Board Member, 1999-2003

Texas State Bar Minority Counsel Program, Board Member, 2004-2006

SKILLS

Operating Systems: MS Windows 2000, XP; MacOS; Linux

Software Applications: MS Office 2000 including: MS Word, MS Excel, MS Outlook, MS Power Point, MS Photo Editor; WordPerfect 6.1, PCDOCS Document Management System; MS Access; Eudora and various other software programs.

Networks: Working knowledge and understanding of the Internet, intranets and extranets and other network environments.

Programming: Basic knowledge of HTML.

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish; conversational in German and French.

INTERESTS

Opera, fly-fishing, spelunking, southern history and baking.

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