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Adam chairs the firm's Intellectual Property Litigation practice and co-chairs the firm's Trade Secret and Employee Mobility practice. He is an experienced commercial litigator having litigated cases in federal and state courts for almost twenty years. Adam's practice focuses on disputes involving patent infringement, trademark and trade dress infringement, trade secret misappropriation, licensing agreements, fraud and other complex commercial issues.

As lead litigation counsel, Adam has handled cases involving a wide variety of subject matter and technologies, including GPS locator beacons, back-up and restore software, direct I/O device communication software and related hardware, automated music selection software, automated tax preparation software and medical staffing software.

As Delaware counsel, Adam has partnered with out-of-state counsel on more than 200 cases before the District Court for the District of Delaware. He has been ranked as a leading practitioner by Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business for the past six years.

Before joining Young Conaway, Adam served as a law clerk to the Honorable Roderick R. McKelvie of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware.

Adam has represented on a pro bono basis veterans before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. He is a Past President of the Delaware Chapter of the Villanova Law School Alumni Association.

Practices

- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Trade Secret and Employee Mobility
- Commercial Litigation

Education

- Villanova University Charles Widger School of Law (J.D.)
- University of Delaware (B.A.)

Bar Admissions

- Delaware

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit

Distinctions

- *Chambers USA - America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Intellectual Property, 2013-Present
- *Managing Intellectual Property - IP Stars*, 2013 - Present
- *The Best Lawyers in America*®, Litigation - Intellectual Property, 2019

Memberships and Affiliations

- Delaware Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, Member
- Delaware State Bar Association, Member
- American Bar Association, Member
- Veteran's *Pro Bono* Consortium, Volunteer Attorney
- Delaware Chapter of the Villanova Law School Alumni Association, Past Board Member
- Delaware New Lawyers Distinguished Service Award Committee, Past Member

Clerkships

- Honorable Roderick R. McKelvie of the United States District Court for the District of Delaware

Publications

December 10, 2015

Changes On The Horizon For Trade Secret Misappropriation

Delaware Lawyer, Vol. 33, No. 3, Fall 2015

January 3, 2014

The Delaware Court Of Chancery: Forum for Enforcement of Trade Secret Rights

BNA's Patent, Trademark and Copyright Journal, 87 PTCJ 478

Events

March 27, 2012

"US Patent Reform Forum 2012", Managing Intellectual Property

News

November 1, 2018

Delaware Today Magazine Recognizes 17 Young Conaway "Top Lawyers"

September 1, 2018

Poff, Sharp and Gaza Recognized as IP Stars by Managing Intellectual Property

August 15, 2018

42 Young Conaway Lawyers Recognized by Best Lawyers in America, with 4 Attorneys Further Recognized as Lawyers of the Year (Wilmington, DE)

May 4, 2018

23 Young Conaway Attorneys Ranked as "Leaders in their Field" in 2018 Chambers USA

August 15, 2017

41 Young Conaway Attorneys Named in The Best Lawyers In America and Three Attorneys Receive Additional Specialty Recognition as Lawyer of the Year (Wilmington, DE)

June 7, 2017

Gaza, Poff and Lennon Featured in IAM Patent 1000: The World's Leading Patent Professionals 2017

May 30, 2017

Adam Poff Quoted In News Journal Regarding Delaware Courts and Supreme Court Decision, TC Heartland LLC v. Kraft Food Brands Group LLC

May 26, 2017

25 Young Conaway Attorneys Recognized As "Leaders In Their Field" by Chambers USA 2017 Edition

May 27, 2016

28 Young Conaway Attorneys Ranked As "Leaders In Their Field" By Chambers USA 2016

November 2, 2015

Delaware Today Announces 2015 Top Lawyers

May 19, 2015

24 Young Conaway Attorneys Ranked As Leaders In Their Field By Chambers USA 2015

September 10, 2014

Poff, Lennon, Wilson and Brodzik Co-Author Two Chapters in Recent ABA Publication, "Pre-ANDA Litigation: Strategies and Tactics for Developing a Drug Product and Patent Portfolio"

May 30, 2014

Melanie Sharp and Adam Poff Recognized as IP Stars by Managing Intellectual Property

May 23, 2014



25 Young Conaway Attorneys Listed As "Leaders in their Field" in Chambers USA for 2014

May 24, 2013

Young Conaway -- Top Ranked in Chambers USA 2013