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Thomas Ewing is a commercial lawyer, registered patent attorney, and intellectual property counselor with nearly 20 years of experience in the IP field. In his consulting practice, Tom routinely advises international organizations, government agencies, universities, law firms, multinational corporations and financial institutions. Tom has recently been recognized by IAM Magazine as one of the world's 250 best IP strategists.

Tom counsels commercial entities of all sizes, as well as venture capital and private equity firms. Tom has represented a wide range of high technology companies during his career, including Alcatel, Apertio, Apple, Ceva, Cisco, eBay, Honda, Intuit, Listen (Rhapsody), Micron, NEC, Netflix, Sharp, T-Netix, Tribune Media Services, and Paul Allen's Vulcan, Inc. He has also represented investors such as Accel Partners, Amadeus, the Environmental Technologies Fund, HgCapital, Kleiner Perkins, and Oak Investment Partners.

Tom authored the World Intellectual Property Organization's textbook and course materials for an international patent agent training program. He has personally trained patent agents from nearly 40 countries and led WIPO training courses in Zimbabwe (2007), India (2006), Singapore (2006), and Malaysia (2003). Tom has lectured on intellectual property and commercial law at universities worldwide and recently co-taught courses in intellectual asset management and commercial law at Chalmers University.

Tom has assisted Vinnova, the Swedish government's agency for innovation, in structuring its agreements for research and development collaborations and other related projects. He has also assisted the government of Tanzania in developing its national IP plan.

Tom previously served as Vice President and Chief Intellectual Property Officer at OpenTV, Inc., an interactive television company then owned by Liberty Media Corp. Tom managed the worldwide intellectual property development efforts for OpenTV's portfolio of nearly 2,000 issued and pending patents. He directed and managed patent litigation cases venued in federal district court and the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Tom also served as IP coordinator for various worldwide standards organizations, performed due diligence on third-party IP portfolios, and structured and negotiated various IP-related agreements.

Tom has worked as an attorney at law firms in San Francisco, Palo Alto, Seattle, and Washington, DC. In private practice, he focused on developing and managing intellectual property portfolios, conducting strategic analyses of various large patent portfolios, and supporting patent infringement litigations. His expertise includes software and computer-related inventions, telecommunications, business methods, bioinformatics, and electro-mechanical devices.

Before entering the legal profession, Tom served as a member of the technical staff of the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, California and as a patent agent at the California Institute of Technology. As an engineer, Tom helped develop interactive training simulators for various governmental and international organizations.

Tom researched, edited, and translated portions of two books on economics and intellectual property: "The Economics and Management of Intellectual Property," by Prof. Ove Granstrand (Edward Elgar, 2000) and "Patents and Innovations for Growth and Welfare," by Prof. Ove Granstrand (English publication forthcoming).

Tom has spoken at numerous conferences and training seminars worldwide, including the European Venture Capital Association (2008, 2007), the Computer Law Association's European conference (2005) and the PatSoft conference (2006). He is a co-author of "Software Patents: Procuring and Enforcing," The Patent Resources Group (April 1999) and "Strategies for

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Tom was awarded his J.D. in 1996 from the University of California, Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco where he became a national quarter finalist in the Giles Sutherland Rich Moot Court Competition. In 1988, he received an M.S. in Engineering and Policy from Washington University in St. Louis, and he received his B.S. in Computer Science from the University of Tulsa in 1985. Tom has also received Bachelor's and Master's degrees in English literature. He is a member of the State Bars of California (1996) and Washington (1998, presently inactive) and is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (1990).