

## Celine Jimenez Crowson

Partner

Washington, D.C.

### Biography

A leading woman in technology law, Celine Crowson is on the forefront of patent litigation, protection, and commercialization for the world's most valuable technology companies. Celine uses her technical background in electrical engineering and her deep experience in intellectual property law to provide her clients with practical, winning solutions to their most complex and important problems. She leads the IPMT Americas offices at Hogan Lovells.

Celine is a first chair trial lawyer in patent cases in district courts and the International Trade Commission. She has defeated claims amounting to millions of dollars in damages, saved products from exclusion from the market, and obtained numerous dismissals when aggressors were forced to give up after insurmountable hurdles. *The American Lawyer* has touted her wins for the best known computer and telecom companies.

Celine has led the patent teams in the most important global technology deals, including one that appeared on the front page of *The New York Times*. Companies entering into the newest, even disruptive, innovative fields have relied on her skill. Celine's techno-legal sweet spots include telecom, mobile devices, mapping and navigation, chip technologies, power savings, unmanned and autonomous vehicles and aircraft,



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### Practices

Intellectual Property

IP and Technology Transactions

Blockchain and DLT

IP Litigation, Arbitration, and  
Alternative Dispute Resolution

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### Industries

Diversified Industrials

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automotive technologies, control systems, myriad medical devices, agriculture, and cutting-edge energy technologies.

Celine is also at the forefront of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) patent challenge practice. She has been involved in numerous Inter Partes Review proceedings, all of which resulted in creating favorable outcomes for her clients in their patent disputes. Celine is handling the first ever instituted Post Grant Review proceeding at the USPTO.

Celine is on the board of the Ronald McDonald House Charities, is a frequent guest lecturer at Georgetown Law School's Class in Entrepreneurship, and an active alumna of Duke University's engineering school.

## Representative experience

Lead counsel for Mercedes Benz in multiple patent infringement litigations in district courts and the ITC accusing auto, nav., and media technologies.

Lead counsel for Google, LG and Toshiba in International Trade Commission proceeding filed by Straight Path accusing YouTube and Google Hangouts.

Lead counsel for one of the world's most valuable telecom and computing companies in patent litigations, including wins in district court and the ITC.

Led patent deal team in one of the most important technology deals of 2015, when major automakers bought Nokia's mapping and navigation business.

Lead counsel for first ever instituted Post Grant Review proceeding at USPTO, on behalf of patent owner in the cattle industry.

Lead counsel for Covidien/Nellcor in patent infringement action and reexamination brought in connection with client's cerebral oximetry device.

Led IP team in deal for Exelon involving investment in

## Areas of focus

Chemical and Industrial Products and Services

Connected Cars

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## Education and admissions

### Education

J.D., Georgetown University Law Center, 1990

B.S. Electrical Engineering, Duke University, cum laude, Eta Kappa Nu, 1987

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## Memberships

Member, American Intellectual Property Law Association

Member, District of Columbia Bar Association

Member, Federal Circuit Bar Association

Member, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers

Member, Intellectual Property Owners Association

Member, Litigation Section and Patent, Trademark and Copyright Law Section, American Bar Association

Member, Maryland Bar Association

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## Bar admissions and qualifications

advanced cutting edge power technologies.

Lead patent lawyer for major citrus processor in licensing and R & D efforts in the citrus industry.

## Awards and rankings

- Patent Star - District of Columbia, *Managing Intellectual Property*, 2018, 2020
- Intellectual Property: Patent Litigation: Full Coverage, *Legal 500 US*, 2018-2019
- Patent Litigation: Hi Tech Electronics and IT, *Legal 500 US*, 2009
- Intellectual property: Patents: litigation (full coverage), Recommended, *Legal 500 US*, 2020

## Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Trade-secret protections are getting stronger – and other IP trends chemical companies need to know *Chemicals: Horizons*
- News
  - Getting The Deal Through: Automotive 2020
- News
  - COVID-19 IP update: impact on litigation
- Insights
  - District Court invokes utility patent obviousness doctrine in finding design patent invalid
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Virtual health horizons 2020
- Insights
  - Federal Circuit: District Court erred in determining primary reference in design patent infringement row

District of Columbia

Maryland

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

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## Court admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

U.S. Supreme Court

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## Accolades

"Celine Crowson and I became experts in the study of what makes a Smurf a Smurf. We negotiated with the studio over what the characters wore and what they said."

*The Hollywood Wrap July 2011*

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