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Hector Agdeppa is a partner in the Intellectual Property Practice Group in the firm's San Diego (Del Mar) office.

### Areas of Practice

Hector specializes in patent application drafting and prosecution in the electrical, mechanical and computer software arts, as well as in the medical device field, and he is well-versed in the management and monetization of patent portfolios. He is also experienced in *inter partes* review proceedings, tech transfer and licensing, IP due diligence and opinion/freedom to operate assessments, and he provides patent litigation support for a variety of clients, large and small, covering a broad range of industries.

Hector's technical experience encompasses wireless communications and data networking/network management; optical networking; multimedia delivery and video coding (including HEVC and HDR/WCG content); LCD, LED and PDP displays; AR/VR headsets; blockchain technologies; data analytics; artificial intelligence and deep/machine learning; enterprise SaaS; edge security; photonics; automotive technologies (including connected car and autonomous driving); as well as electro-mechanical and mechanical devices for remote analyte monitoring, medicant delivery, incentive spirometry, distributed sensing of patient condition, medical imaging, and gene sequencing.

Previously, Hector was a patent examiner for over five years with the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO), where he specialized in examining patent applications relating to telecommunications and data networking, computer-telephony integration and terminal equipment and structures.

Before joining the USPTO, Hector was a software test engineer for Motorola, Inc. and a validation engineer for Abbott Laboratories and the Sverdrup Facilities Group.

### Honors

Number 2 ranked IPR attorney in the country representing Petitioners, *Patexia IPR Intelligence Report*, 2019

### Articles

#### Intellectual Property Law Blog

- "Cementing Victory by Accepting Defeat: When Can a Patentee's Infringement Disclaimer Moot an Appeal of an IPR Decision?" February 5, 2021

- "Machine Learning Patentability in 2019: 5 Cases Analyzed and Lessons Learned Part 5," March 31, 2020
- "Machine Learning Patentability in 2019: 5 Cases Analyzed and Lessons Learned Part 4," March 12, 2020
- "Machine Learning Patentability in 2019: 5 Cases Analyzed and Lessons Learned Part 3," March 3, 2020
- "Machine Learning Patentability in 2019: 5 Cases Analyzed and Lessons Learned Part 2," February 18, 2020
- "Machine Learning Patentability in 2019: 5 Cases Analyzed and Lessons Learned Part 1," February 5, 2020

## Speaking Engagements

Regular presenter at the Founder Institute for startups

## Events

Green Guide to Cannabis Legal & Banking  
C3 Risk & Insurance Services, San Diego, CA, 08.28.2019

Protecting Intellectual Property  
Third Thursday Emerging Company Webinar Series  
via GlobalMeet, 09.20.2018

Protecting Intellectual Property  
Third Thursday Emerging Company Webinar Series  
via WebEx, 08.17.2017

## Memberships

Member, Filipino American Lawyers of San Diego (FALSD)

Member, Pan Asian Lawyers of San Diego (PALSD)

Member, Intellectual Property Owners Association; Member, U.S. Post-Grant Patent Office Practice Committee

## Practices

Intellectual Property

Patent Litigation

Patent Prosecution and Counseling

Post-Grant Proceedings

Trademark Applications and Prosecution

Trademarks and Trade Dress

## Education

J.D., American University, 2005

B.S., Electrical Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 1995

## Admissions

California

Illinois

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

## Additional Office

Silicon Valley

## Languages

Tagalog