



# SHARIF S. AHMED

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### Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property
- Patent Litigation
- Patent Prosecution & Counseling
- Trademark and Trade Dress Litigation

### Admissions

- Arizona
- U.S. District Court of Arizona
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

### Education

- Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at Arizona State University (J.D., cum laude, 2021)
- University of California, Santa Barbara (B.S., 2016) Major: Pharmacology

### Awards

- Dean's Award for Outstanding Performance
- Highest Pro Bono Distinction
- Lisa Foundation Patent Law Scholar
- Pedrick Scholar
- Intellectual Property Certificate
- CALI Award – Patent Licensing & Monetization
- CALI Award – Lisa Foundation Patent Clinic

Sharif Ahmed focuses on intellectual property matters with his national law practice based in the Messner Reeves Phoenix office.

His practice includes patent, trademark, and trade dress enforcement, litigation, and procurement. He also provides strategic intellectual property advice, including IP portfolio and licensing due diligence, and related business transactional support.

Sharif has experience serving clients of all sizes on a variety of critical IP issues, from IP litigation for emerging businesses to patent procurement for Fortune 500 companies. A life sciences graduate, he has extensive patent experience in a multitude of technologies and disciplines, including aerospace, consumer products, garments, medical devices, mining, semiconductors, software, and outdoor games, among others. Sharif also maintains a robust trademark practice and routinely provides counsel to brands and E-Commerce clients.

Sharif graduated cum laude from the Sandra Day O'Connor College of Law at ASU and earned his B.S. in Pharmacology from the University of California, Santa Barbara, where he was an undergraduate researcher in the Craig Montell Lab at UCSB's Neuroscience Research Institute.

### Publications and Speaking Engagements

- "Bayh-Dole and March-In Mischief: Why Congressional Action is Needed to Protect and Promote Pharmaceutical Innovation." IPLS Proceedings, Vol. 32, Issue 1, Intellectual Property Law Section, State Bar of Michigan (Feb. 1, 2021)

### Professional Experience

- Intellectual Property Attorney, Snell & Wilmer LLP
- Summer Associate, Snell & Wilmer LLP
- Judicial Extern, Superior Court, Maricopa County, Hon. Christopher Coury
- Legal Extern, Riverside County District Attorney's Office
- Portfolio Analyst, Nexseer Capital
- Undergraduate Researcher, Craig Montell Lab, UCSB