MESSNER REEVES LLP



Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property
- Patent Litigation
- Trademark and Trade Dress Litigation

Admissions

- 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

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Sharif Ahmed is an Intellectual Property Attorney with Messner Reeves LLP, practicing in all aspects of IP, including prosecution, litigation, and licensing.

His practice includes patent and trademark procurement, enforcement, and maintenance. His practice includes trade secrets, dress, portfolio due diligence, licensing, and related business transactions. Sharif has worked with clients of all sizes, from multi-national Fortune 100s and universities to solo inventors and nascent start-ups. He develops creative global protection solutions, aligning his clients' IP procurement strategies with their critical business objectives.

Once procured, Sharif also assists clients in enforcing their most valuable intellectual assets. His technical experience includes many technologies in a variety of fields, including aerospace, ore mining, medical devices, garments, and outdoor games, among others. Mr. Ahmed earned a B.S. in Pharmacology from the University of California, Santa Barbara. He was an undergraduate researcher in the Craig Montell Lab at UCSB's Neuroscience Research Institute. He researched molecular genetics, electrophysiological, biochemical, and cell biological approaches in the fruit fly to define the receptors and ion channels that sense the outside world and impact animal behavior.

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 Courty
- Legal Extern, Riverside County District Attorney's Office
- Portfolio Analyst, Nexseer Capital
- Undergraduate Researcher, Craig Montell Lab, UCSB