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Ahmed J. Davis is a Principal in the Washington, D.C., office of Fish & Richardson, a member of the firm's Management Committee, National Chair of the Fish & Richardson Diversity Initiative, and a former member of the firm's Compensation Committee. His practice focuses on complex patent litigation in a range of technical areas, including chemistry, biotechnology, medical devices, and mechanical and electrical engineering. A trial attorney experienced in all phases of litigation,

Davis has been lead counsel in the International Trade Commission and federal district court, has argued before the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and has litigated cases before the United States Court of Federal Claims. He has particular expertise and is the firm's leading attorney for matters in the "rocket docket" that is the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

Davis regularly speaks and lectures on issues relevant to the patent bar. Since 2008, he has been a faculty member at the ALI-ABA Conference "Trial Of A Patent Case" and, since 2010, a faculty member at the annual PLI Conference on Patent Litigation. He has spoken or been a guest lecturer on patent issues at Howard University Law School, Catholic University Columbus School of Law, Temple Law School, and Fordham Law School. He has presented on patent law at numerous bar conferences; is a member of the Sedona Conference Working Group on Patent Damages and Royalties (WG9), and the Working Group on Patent Litigation Best Practices (WG10). He is also an instructor for the National Institute of Trial Advocacy (NITA). Davis also is committed to giving back to the legal community through the development of young lawyers and by increasing diversity within the profession. He is the former *pro bono* coordinator for the firm's D.C. office, and he regularly speaks to law students about opportunities in patent law and the importance of judicial clerkships.

Davis has received numerous accolades and awards for his work. He was named an "IP Star" by *Managing Intellectual Property* in 2015, 2016, and 2017. In addition, in March 2016, he was named to *Managing Intellectual Property's* shortlist for "Outstanding IP Litigation - Washington DC" at the North America awards. In 2015, *Savoy* magazine named him a "Most Influential Black Attorney of 2015." He was also featured as a "Minority Power Broker" by *Law360*, and he was also named one of *Profiles in Diversity's* "Diversity Leader"s for 2015. In February 2011, the *Washington Business Journal* named Davis "One of the Top Minority Business Leaders" of 2011. In October 2010 *The Root*, an online publication of the *Washington Post*, identified Davis as part of the next generation of African-American leaders. In June 2010, Davis was named a "2010 Nation's Best Advocate: 40 Lawyers under 40," by the National Bar Association and IMPACT. And in July 2009, Davis was named one of the "40 Under 40: Washington's Rising Stars" by *The National Law Journal*.

Before joining the firm, Davis was a law clerk for the Honorable Leonie M. Brinkema in the Alexandria Division of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia (1999-2000). He also was a law clerk for the Honorable Paul R. Michel at the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (2001-2002).

Davis is on the Board of Directors of DC Legendary Musicians, Inc. and on the Board of Directors for the Living Classrooms Foundation in Washington, D.C., and is a Deacon at Montgomery Baptist Church in Gaithersburg, MD.

Davis earned his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center, as well as an M.S. in chemistry from Emory University and a B.S. in chemistry, *cum laude*, from Morehouse College.

