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#### Areas of Law

Trademark, Copyrights and Brand Protection  
Intellectual Property and Technology  
Information Technology, Intranet and E-Commerce  
Intellectual Property and Technology Litigation  
Data Privacy and Cybersecurity

#### Bar Admissions

Minnesota  
District of Minnesota  
District of Colorado  
Western District of Wisconsin  
District of North Dakota

#### Education

Mitchell Hamline School of Law, 2008  
J.D., 2008  
Augsburg College, Minneapolis, MN;  
B.A., 2010 *magna cum laude*, History and Religion

## Paul A. Godfread

### Practice Overview

Paul A. Godfread focuses his practice on the areas of trademark, copyright, and internet law including both transactions and litigation. He has prior business experience in information technology. He has legal experience in internet issues that relate to business and intellectual property law.

### Representative Experience:

#### Trademark Law

Paul manages trademark portfolios for companies and has experience in prosecution, enforcement, litigation, and licensing trademarks in a variety of industries.

- Represented companies in proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
- Licensed trademarks for use in joint ventures and affiliates.
- Negotiated co-existence agreements, settlements, and related agreements.
- Substantial experience in all aspects of trademark prosecution before the USPTO.
- Search and clearance opinions for the use of trademarks.

#### Internet, E-Commerce, and Information Technology Law

Paul has maintained an active practice and interest in the intersection of law and technology. He has represented businesses and individuals to create website policies and procedures. He has experience in the enforcement of copyrights and trademarks online.

- Successfully removed infringing content via DMCA takedown notices
- Protected the First Amendment rights of bloggers through litigation including an appeal setting precedent relating to tortious interference and free speech.
- Drafted terms of service and privacy policies for web-based businesses and successfully enforced those policies in court.
- Vacated temporary restraining orders based on online speech.
- Experience coordinating enforcement efforts with online intermediaries such as Amazon, Facebook, and Google.
- Counseled clients on compliance with data privacy laws and regulations.

#### Litigation

Paul has litigation experience especially in the areas of intellectual property and business litigation.

- First chair experience with trials, evidentiary hearings, and appeals.
- Extensive experience with pre-Rule 26 conference early discovery subpoenas and motions to quash for internet subscriber information.
- Successfully obtained a preliminary and permanent injunction for a client based on copyright and trade secret misappropriation.