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OVERVIEW

Theo Angelis is a first-chair International Trade Commission and District Court litigator, and he also serves as an active member of the firm's IP Litigation group. Theo has extensive experience representing clients in Greater China, throughout Asia, and in the United States. Theo served as lead ITC counsel for Sharp Corporation in the 1201 Investigation and serves as lead ITC counsel for Realtek Semiconductor Corp. in the 1222 Investigation. He also was lead invalidity counsel at trial for Amperex Technology Ltd. in the 1087 Investigation, and he has held other leading roles in numerous ITC investigations throughout his career.

In addition, Theo litigates in District Courts throughout the United States, for both Asian and US companies. He is lead counsel for ZTE, and recently served as lead counsel for Quanta, Advantech, and ADLINK Technology, in multiple cases for each. Theo also has served as lead counsel, in several matters each, for innovative US technology companies, including Square, and Expedia.

Theo also represents clients such as Sharp Corporation in appellate matters. Theo's unique experience—as an intellectual property litigator who previously led the firm's appellate practice and has an active appellate practice—allows him to craft and present especially persuasive and compelling arguments. He also provides clear and strategic advice to clients facing unsettled or complex legal issues, and he assists them in efficiently solving problems and minimizing risk.

Theo's appellate practice focuses primarily on the Federal and Ninth Circuits, as well as the D.C. Circuit, where Theo served as a law clerk. Theo also regularly handles appeals in state appellate courts.

Theo has received numerous awards and honors. He is listed in the *Best Lawyers in America* and has been selected to Washington Super Lawyers, and he recently was recognized by the King County Bar Association as Mentor of the Year. Earlier in his career, the King County Bar Association named him Outstanding Young Lawyer. Theo served as the editor of the *Washington Lawyer's Practice Manual* for many years, and while in law school served as articles editor for the *Yale Law Journal* and managing editor of the *Yale Law & Policy Review*.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- Clerkship, Hon. Stephen F. Williams, US Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, 1999-2000

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognized by *Chambers USA* for Intellectual Property in Washington, 2021-2025
- Recognized by *The Legal 500 United States* as a Recommended Lawyer for Patents: Litigation (full coverage) and Trademarks: Non-Contentious (including prosecution, portfolio management and licensing), 2025
- Listed in *IAM Patent 1000*, United States Individuals: International Trade Commission, 2022-2024
- Listed in *IAM Patent 1000*, United States: Washington, Individuals: Prosecution and Litigation, 2024
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*® in Seattle, 2013-2021
- Selected to Washington Super Lawyers list, 2014-2021
- Citizen of the Year by St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 2016
- King County Bar Association Mentor of the Year, 2012
- King County Bar Association's Outstanding Young Lawyer, 2006
- Recipient of NWIRP Amicus Award, awarded to *Castillo* litigation team, 2011
- Selected to the Washington Rising Stars List, 2004-2009, 2011, 2012

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Co-Chair, IP Litigation Committee of the Federal Bar Association of the Western District of Washington.
- Chair, King County Bar Association Fair Campaign Practices Committee
- Member, King County Bar Association's Leadership Committee
- Member, Attorney General's Task Force on Unaccompanied Children
- Leadership Tomorrow, Class of 2008

EDUCATION

- J.D., Yale Law School, 1999 *Articles Editor Yale Law Journal*, *Managing Editor Yale Law & Policy Review*
Thomas Tang National Moot Court Competition, *Best Oralist*
- M.Sc., University of Oxford, 1996 *Comparative Social Research*, *Marshall Scholar*
- M.Sc., London School of Economics and Political Science, 1995 (*economics*) *Public Policy*, *Marshall Scholar*
- B.A., Claremont McKenna College, 1994 *summa cum laude* (*government/psychology*), *Phi Beta Kappa*,
Student Body President

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Washington
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Washington
- United States District Court for the Western District of Texas
- United States District Court for the Western District of Washington

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 6 November 2025, USPTO Launches Streamlined Patent Application Program
- 12 September 2017, Judge or Jury?: The Federal Circuit Holds that Patent Litigants Do Not Have a Seventh Amendment Right to a Jury Trial on Attorneys' Fees
- 9 June 2017, Where Can Hatch-Waxman and BPCIA Cases Stick After *TC Heartland LLC v. Kraft Foods Group Brands LLC*?
- 8 June 2017, Remicade® Update: Passing Up Your Chance to Dance Can Increase Damages
- 22 May 2017, The Federal Circuit Affirms the Patent Trial and Appeal Board's Invalidation of All Claims of a Gilenya® Patent
- 28 April 2017, *Sandoz v. Amgen*—Biosimilars at the Supreme Court—Oral Argument
- 27 January 2017, To the Federal Circuit, Some PTAB Petitioners Have No Appeal Whatsoever
- 20 September 2016, Remicade® Update: Double Patenting Redoubles in Post-Gilead Biosimilar Case
- 19 August 2016, Humira® Update: Big Guns Take Aim at Top-Selling Biologic
- 6 June 2016, ANDA Filing May Subject a Pharmaceutical Company to Personal Jurisdiction in Patent Infringement Suits Anywhere in the U.S.
- 1 June 2016, Federal Circuit Holds That an Offer to Sell a Drug Product Was a Patent-Invalidating Offer for Sale under Pre-AIA § 102(b) Even Though the Offer Lacked "Safety and Liability Terms"
- 29 April 2016, What You Need to Know About the Recent Federal Circuit Rule Changes

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Internet and Technology Law – Practical Guidance for the Washington Practitioner, 2012
- Indian Law, in *Washington Lawyers Practice Manual*, 2012
- Rule 11, (with Ramona Emerson) in *Washington Civil Procedure Deskbook*, 2007
- “Investing Public Money in Private Markets: What are the Right Questions?,” *Framing The Social Security Debate: Values, Economics, & Politics* (Douglas Arnold, Michael Graetz, & Alicia Munnell, eds., 1999)

NEWS & EVENTS

- 12 March 2026, K&L Gates Partner Theo Angelis Appointed to Washington State Supreme Court
- 3 October 2025, K&L Gates' Global IP Practice, Lawyers Earn Rankings in Managing IP's 2025 "IP Stars"
- 31 July 2025, K&L Gates Announces New Practice Leaders Across Global Platform
- 6 June 2025, K&L Gates' IP Practice, Lawyers Recognized Among Leaders in 2025 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 5 June 2025, K&L Gates Receives More Than 240 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2025 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 7 February 2025, K&L Gates Secures Victory for Duwamish Tribe in Federal Recognition Lawsuit
- 7 October 2024, K&L Gates' Intellectual Property Practice, Lawyers Recognized in 2024 *Managing IP* Magazine's "IP Stars"
- 10 June 2024, K&L Gates' IP Practice, Lawyers Recognized Among Leaders in 2024 Edition of IAM Patent 1000
- 6 June 2024, K&L Gates Receives More Than 200 Firm, Individual Rankings in 2024 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 23 October 2023, K&L Gates' Intellectual Property Practice, Lawyers Recognized in 2023 *Managing IP* Magazine's "IP Stars"
- 1 August 2023, K&L Gates Intellectual Property Practice Listed Among Leaders in 2023 IAM Patent 1000 Rankings
- 1 June 2023, K&L Gates Receives Firm, Individual Rankings in 2023 *Chambers USA* Guide
- 6 October 2022, K&L Gates Recognized in 2022 *Managing IP* Magazine's 'IP Stars'
- 18 August 2022, More Than 350 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2023 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 11 July 2022, K&L Gates Intellectual Property Practice Recognized Among Leaders in 2022 IAM Patent 1000 Rankings
- 1 June 2022, K&L Gates Receives Firm, Individual Rankings in 2022 *Chambers USA* Guide

- 19 August 2021, Nearly 300 K&L Gates Lawyers Named Among 2022 Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch
- 21 May 2021, Chambers USA 2021 Guide Recognizes K&L Gates Intellectual Property Practice, Lawyers

AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Litigation
- American Indian Law
- Appellate Litigation
- Commercial Disputes
- Oil and Gas
- Pharma and BioPharma Litigation
- Power

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Electronics
- Consumer Goods and Services