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Stephen Kraftschik represents clients in complex litigation matters pending in Delaware's federal and state courts. Clients rely on Steve for strategic guidance in high-profile corporate, commercial and intellectual property disputes.

Steve has substantial experience litigating patent cases in the U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, as well as corporate and governance disputes in the Delaware Court of Chancery. His practice includes post-merger disputes, limited liability company conflicts and books-and-records demands. He also serves as Delaware counsel for national trial teams and assists clients in navigating the procedural and strategic considerations unique to Delaware courts.

With a background in electrical engineering, Steve brings technical fluency to intellectual property litigation and other technology-driven disputes. He approaches matters with a focus on thorough preparation, efficient motion practice and strategic positioning for trial or resolution.

In addition to his practice, Steve regularly devotes his time to pro bono cases, such as representing petitioners seeking Protection From Abuse ("PFA") Orders in Delaware Family Court. Steve has helped many clients obtain PFA orders through trial and mediation.

Clients value Steve's familiarity with Delaware practice and his ability to manage complex, multi-jurisdictional matters while keeping business objectives at the forefront.

Education

- Temple University Beasley School of Law (J.D., 2011)
 - magna cum laude, Temple Law Review
- Pennsylvania State University and Schreyer Honors College (B.S., 2007)
 - Electrical Engineering

Bar Admissions

- Delaware

Capabilities

- Delaware Court of Chancery
- Commercial Litigation
- Litigation
- Intellectual Property
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- Patent Litigation
- Mergers & Acquisitions Litigation
- Telecommunications Litigation

Court Admissions

- U.S. District Court, District of Delaware
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit

Memberships

- Federal Bar Association
 - Delaware Chapter
- American Bar Association
 - Litigation Section
 - Intellectual Property Section
- Delaware State Bar Association

Recognition

- Selected for inclusion in *Best Lawyers in America*® for Litigation - Intellectual Property, 2026
- Listed No. 45 on the 100 Most Active Local Counsel Representing Defendants in the *Patexia* 2023 Patent Litigation Intelligence Report.

Clerkships

- Extern to the Honorable Sue L. Robinson, U.S. District Court for the District of Delaware, 2009

Matters

Commercial and Corporate Litigation Matters

- Successfully represented plaintiffs who were seeking reinstatement as officers and managers in a limited liability company in an action brought under 6 Del. C. § 18-110 in Delaware Chancery Court. The Court declared that the plaintiffs had been improperly removed, reinstated the plaintiffs as officers and managers, and awarded them their attorney's fees under a contractual prevailing party fee shifting provision.
- Successfully defeated TRO brought in Delaware Chancery Court seeking to enjoin our client's acquisition of an international precious metals company.
- Obtained temporary restraining order for client in Delaware Chancery Court to prevent its general partner from removing our client as the manager of a highly visible real estate project in Philadelphia.
- Represented defendant in trial in Delaware Court of Chancery concerning post-merger dispute related to alleged breach of representations and warranties. Obtained successful opinion from the Court in which the Court fully adopted our client's position regarding damages.
- Represented plaintiff in Delaware Chancery Court seeking order of specific performance for an order requiring the defendant to complete a sale of its interests in 5 seniors housing and care facilities. Defeated defendant's motion to dismiss case which sought to require arbitration in Hong Kong.
- Successfully represented defendant in Delaware Chancery Court in action brought under 6 Del. C. § 18-111 in which Plaintiff sought an order of specific performance

requiring defendant to sell its interests in joint venture to the plaintiff. After defeating plaintiff's requested expedited case schedule, plaintiff dismissed its case and defendant obtained a favorable settlement.

- Represented defendant in books and records actions filed in Delaware Chancery Court.

Intellectual Property Litigation Matters

- Jury verdict for patent owner on five of seven patent infringement claims brought against publicly traded orthopedic medical device company in U.S. District Court, District of Delaware, relating to spinal implant systems, covering all accused products and securing an estimated \$50 million in damages, to be determined at bifurcated damages trial.
- Jury verdict for patent owner on breach of contract and contract-related tort counterclaims brought by publicly traded orthopedic medical device company in U.S. District Court, District of Delaware, involving patents covering spinal implant systems. The jury verdict rejected medical device company's license defense and contract-related and tort claims, with an exposure to patent owner of greater than \$30 million, and cleared the case to patent infringement trial on asserted patents.
- Represented defendant in successful mediation regarding claims for breach of contract and trade secret misappropriation, obtained favorable settlement terms.
- Represented defendant in District of Delaware in patent infringement action involving generative artificial intelligence patents, obtained favorable settlement.
- Represented defendant in Delaware Superior Court, Complex Commercial Litigation Division (CCLD) in trade secrets action related to AI.