

Education and Training

J. Gordon Thomson, Law Corporation develops and delivers half-day and full-day education and training seminars on protecting intellectual property to professional organizations, industry groups, research centres and corporations.

IP Policy Development

The most effective way to communicate the importance of intellectual property is through written policies and effective employment agreements. It is important for a large company or an SME to ensure that all employees are aware of the value of corporate intellectual property assets. A business intellectual property policy can explain:

- What intellectual property is and the various types of intellectual property found in the workplace;
- The importance of intellectual property to the business;
- The ownership of intellectual property created in the workplace;
- The duties of employees to protect the intellectual property assets of the business.

FEES

My fees are very competitive and many are based on a flat rate. Please contact me to discuss your requirements, fees and disbursements.

Useful Web Sites

For additional information on intellectual property please visit: The Canadian Intellectual Property Office at www.cipo.gc.ca and the United States Patent and Trade-mark Office at www.uspto.gov.

J. Gordon Thomson - Profile

Mr. Thomson is an honours graduate of the University of Ottawa Law School and co-recipient of the Perly-Robertson Panet Hill & McDougall Prize for Federal Tribunal Practice. He was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1994 and worked in the Ottawa office of a prominent national intellectual property law firm. In 1997, Mr. Thomson established his intellectual property law practice. He has written extensively on intellectual property law and has taught on a variety of intellectual property matters. In 1998, Mr. Thomson was named a Fellow of the Engineering Institute of Canada. In 2006 he was called to the B.C. Bar.

Mr. Thomson is a member of the following legal and engineering associations:

- Law Society of British Columbia
- Professional Engineers, Ontario;
- Intellectual Property Institute of Canada;
- Licensing Executive Society;
- Canadian Society for Engineering Management.

Mr. Thomson has a Bachelor of (Civil) Engineering degree from the Royal Military College of Canada. He served with the Canadian Army, Electrical Mechanical Engineers, in a variety of units in Canada and with United Nations Forces overseas. Mr. Thomson also worked in Ontario Hydro's Nuclear Generating Division as a performance and reliability engineer, and in the Health and Safety Division, Programming Group.

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INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS,
COPYRIGHT, TRADE SECRETS,
& TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER**

Practise Profile

Intellectual property is the result of your Creative-Intellect®.

J. Gordon Thomson, Law Corporation, is a law firm based in Victoria, British Columbia, practising exclusively in intellectual property law. Its principal, J. Gordon Thomson, provides intellectual property-related advice and services to his clients in Canada and around the world through a network of international associates.

Mr. Thomson is a Professional Engineer with over 25 years of engineering and business experience. He possesses a thorough understanding of technology in a variety of industrial sectors.

The firm's mission is to provide cost-effective and timely advice and services to its clients so that they can identify, protect and profit from the inherent value of their intellectual property assets.

The firm's client base comprises domestic and foreign law firms, individuals, government institutions and corporations in such fields as mining, oil & gas, manufacturing, software development, automotive, biometrics, access control, sports, recreation and consumer goods.

SERVICES

Patents

Mr. Thomson is a Registered Patent Agent in Canada and the United States. Through a network of foreign associates, the firm can obtain patent protection in any country. The firm's patent services include:

- prior art patent searches to show the state of the art of the invention or the novelty of the invention;
- providing preliminary patentability opinions on the scope of available protection;
- drafting patent specifications;
- filing and prosecuting patent applications in the Canadian and United States patent offices;
- filing and prosecuting PCT applications;
- managing corporate patent portfolios;
- providing validity and infringement opinions.

Sample patents:

USP 6,883,781 Tool for extracting the remnants of sign posts and method for using the same;

USP 6,871,612 Pontoon stabilized aluminum water craft;

USP 6,764,184 Telescopically collapsing image projector;

USP 6,763,892 Sliding sleeve valve and method for assembly;

CP 2,335,404 A portable sale kit.

Trade-marks

Protecting Your Good Name

As a Registered Trade-mark Agent in Canada, Mr. Thomson can represent his Canadian clients in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on trade-mark matters. The firm is able to offer its clients trade-mark protection around the world through its network of foreign associates. Trade-mark services include:

- providing preliminary opinions on the availability and strength of a proposed trade-mark;
- drafting, filing and prosecuting trade-mark applications in Canada and the United States;
- obtaining trade-mark protection outside of Canada and the USA through a network of international associates;
- opposition proceedings;
- providing infringement opinions;
- managing corporate trade-mark portfolios.

Copyright

The firm offers its clients a variety of services relating to copyright including: the registration of copyright nationally and internationally as well as opinions with respect to infringement of copyright.

Industrial Designs

The firm is able to offer its clients industrial design registration services in Canada, the United States and many other countries though a network of foreign associates.

Sample industrial design:

CA 104734 A beverage bottle holder

Trade-Secrets and Confidential Business Information

The firm offers its clients advice regarding the identification, protection and enforcement of legal rights relating to trade-secrets and confidential information.

Technology Transfer

Mr. Thomson has extensive experience in contractual transactions relating to intellectual property. This includes drafting and negotiating technology transfers through instruments such as licensing agreements and technology assignments.

Intellectual Property Audits

Thorough and periodic intellectual property audits are important to ensure that business assets are properly identified, protected and exploited. The firm can perform an audit to assess the strengths, costs and benefits of the steps taken to protect your intellectual property. The main goal of an IP audit is to identify to management those areas where commercial importance and legal protection are not in line with one another.