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John leverages his more than 33 years of IP experience to provide effective strategic counseling to his clients and to mentor younger attorneys and agents in the firm. His practice covers the full scope of IP with special emphasis on management of complex international IP portfolios. John founded Osha Bergman Watanabe & Burton LLP in Houston, Texas in 1998, currently leads the firm's electronics, optics, and physics group and chairs the firm's international practice with offices in France, China, Japan and the U.A.E.

International harmonization of IP laws is a major focus of John's work outside the office. He was a member of the Bureau (board) of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI, based in Zurich) for 10 years and was the first American to serve as Reporter General (2018-2020) of that organization. He is also a member of the American Intellectual Property Law Association's Harmonization Committee through which he has actively participated in substantive and procedural harmonization discussions in the Industry Trilateral and IP5 Industry groups. He is also a former Director of the AIPLA Board of Directors and currently serves on the AIPPI-US Steering Committee.

The impact of Artificial Intelligence on IP law is another major area of focus. Having coordinated work on three AI-related resolutions during his time on the AIPPI Bureau, John now chairs AIPLA's AI task force, co-chairs IPO's AI policy subcommittee, and is AIPLA's representative on the IP5 industry AI task force.

Outside of IP, John is the founder and president of Compudopt, Inc., a non-profit organization that provides free computers and STEM education to children in underserved communities. Firm in the belief that every child deserves equal access to education and opportunity, John's vision and passion are a driving force in Compudopt's mission of achieving digital equity and supporting the future of youth in communities across the U.S. and globally. To date, Compudopt has distributed over 60,000 free computers and provided more than 300,000 hours of STEM education to underserved youth in 17 States in the U.S.

Education

- George Mason University School of Law, J.D., 1993
- Cornell University, B.S., Electrical Engineering, 1989

Professional Honors

- *IAM Patent 1000*, Recommended in Prosecution, Texas (2019-2023)
- "Best Lawyers in America© - Patent Law," *U.S. News & World Report*(2014-present)
- Recognized in "Best Lawyers in America, " *Best Lawyers*®, - Litigation: Patent (2019-2022)
- Patent Law (2014-2022)
- "IP STAR - Patent Star and Trademark Star," *Managing IP* (2016-present)
- "Texas Super Lawyer," *Thomson Reuters* (2004, 2006-present)
- LES "Certified Licensing Professional"
- Martindale-Hubbell® AV® rated
- "Top Lawyer," *H Texas* magazine (2006-present)

