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Associate



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Mr. McDonald's practice focuses on intellectual property and technology-related litigation. He also makes time to provide pro-bono legal services for veterans.

During law school, Mr. McDonald was a Line Editor and Sub-citer on the Journal of Law and Technology. Mr. McDonald was also the Chair of the Board for Harvard Law Drama Society's (a.k.a. "Parody") annual production. As part of the Veterans Law and Disability Benefits Clinic, Mr. McDonald successfully argued a discharge upgrade for a client in front of the Army Discharge Review Board.

Prior to starting his legal career, Mr. McDonald was both a soldier and a steelworker. In the Army, Mr. McDonald reached the rank of Captain and served in various positions such as Company Commander at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Intelligence Officer in Afghanistan, and Cyber Intelligence Officer at U.S. Army Cyber Command Headquarters. As a steelworker, Mr. McDonald worked at Nucor Steel Seattle where he was a crane operator and furnace utility, tending to a 2800-degree furnace filled with 75 tons of molten steel.

Prior Experience

- Veterans Law and Disability Benefits Clinic of Harvard Law School, 2024
- Summer Associate, Desmarais LLP, New York, NY, 2023
- Summer Associate, Haynes and Boone, LLP, Dallas, TX, 2022

Clerk & Government Experience

- Law Clerk to the Hon. John Holcomb, U.S. District Court for the Central District of California, 2025
- Judicial Extern to the Hon. Royce Lamberth, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, 2022

Military Distinctions

- Meritorious Service Medal

EDUCATION

Harvard Law School, J.D., 2024; Line Editor, *Journal of Law and Technology*; Chair of the Board, *Harvard Law Drama Society*

Eastern Washington University, B.S., Electrical Engineering, *magna cum laude*, 2020

University of Washington, B.S., Speech Pathology and Audiology, 2009

ADMISSIONS

2024, California

Registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office

- Air Medal w/ Combat Device
- Army Commendation Medal
- Afghanistan Campaign Medal