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Mr. Habbaz's practice focuses on intellectual property and technology-related litigation, including patent litigation, appellate litigation, and Patent Trial and Appeal Board proceedings. His experience includes preparing complaints and contentions, drafting case dispositive motions, taking and defending fact and expert witness depositions, arguing at oral hearings, and evaluating patent portfolios in matters involving medical devices and diagnostics, consumer electronics, telecommunications, and computer software. He has also represented *pro bono* clients before the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, and the Board of Veterans' Affairs.

Mr. Habbaz was part of the team that **successfully defended** Intel Corporation in Delaware federal court against allegations of patent infringement concerning the chipmaker's central processing units. The team secured a full defense victory with a summary judgment of noninfringement on all claims.

Mr. Habbaz also represented Avanos Medical in a patent infringement lawsuit against Medtronic related to cooled radiofrequency ablation technology for treating chronic pain. That litigation included a string of **pretrial successes**, including an IPR victory upholding all challenged claims and the district court's denial of Medtronic's motion for summary judgment of noninfringement.

As part of his *pro bono* practice, Mr. Habbaz represented a prisoner in a constitutional rights litigation in the Southern District of New York. Mr. Habbaz participated in the pre-trial conference and worked with the prisoner to prepare his trial testimony. The Desmarais LLP team ultimately secured a **favorable settlement** less than two weeks before trial.

Mr. Habbaz also represented *pro bono* a veteran before the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veteran Claims. The Board of Veterans' Appeals had denied the veteran's claim that his hearing loss and tinnitus was connected to his service. After finding evidence of long-term exposure to high decibel noise, Mr. Habbaz secured a remand to the Board, which ultimately granted the veterans' claims. Mr. Habbaz and Desmarais LLP were recognized as "VIPs"—Volunteers Inspiring Pro Bono—for July 2020 by **The Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program**.

EDUCATION

New York University Law School, J.D., 2018; Recipient of the Desmarais LLP Scholarship

University of Pennsylvania, B.A., Chemistry, *summa cum laude*, 2015

ADMISSIONS

2019, New York

During law school, Mr. Habbaz served as a development editor for the New York University Annual Survey of American Law, a law journal that explores contemporary legal developments in the United States from a practice-oriented perspective. He also served as Co-President of the Patent Law Reading Group.

Prior Experience

- Development Editor for New York University Annual Survey of American Law, 2017–2018
- Summer Associate, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, 2017
- Co-President of New York University Patent Law Reading Group, 2016–2017

Courts

- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States District Court for the Southern District of New York

News & Publications

- Desmarais LLP Secures ITC Win for Sun Pharmaceutical in Biofrontera Investigation
- Desmarais LLP Secures Defense Victory for Intel before the Federal Circuit
- Desmarais LLP Secures \$44.9M Jury Verdict for IBM in Tech Patent Trial
- Desmarais LLP Secures Pro Bono Settlement in Civil Rights Case
- Desmarais LLP Earns Defense Win for Intel in Tech Patent Lawsuit
- Desmarais LLP Recognized as Veterans Consortium Pro Bono 'VIP'