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Michal's practice focuses on patent and trademark litigation. He has also prosecuted patent and trademark applications and is a registered Patent and Trademark Agent.

Michal has represented clients at all stages of the litigation process: providing pre-litigation opinions, drafting pleadings, attending discovery, preparing expert reports, arguing motions, and appearing at mediations and trials. Building on his technical background, Michal has participated in disputes encompassing electronics, television and lottery systems, mining, recreational vehicles, playground equipment and commercial products and services.

Beyond his experience in prosecution and litigation, Michal is also a sessional lecturer at the University of Windsor Law School, teaching Trademarks and Unfair Competition.

Prior to entering law school, Michal worked in the power distribution field.

### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- Polish

### CREDENTIALS

#### Admissions

- Ontario, 2013

#### Recognitions

- IP Stars - Rising Star, *Managing Intellectual Property*, 2020
- Honourable Justice Robert Abbey Award for Outstanding Special Lecturer, University of Windsor Law, 2018

### RELATED SERVICES

- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Patent Litigation
- Patent Prosecution and Strategic Patent Counseling
- Trademark and Copyright

### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English Polish

## Education

- J.D., University of Windsor, 2012
- B.A.Sc. (Electrical Engineering) with Distinction, University of Windsor, 2009

## Memberships

- Member, Canadian Bar Association

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### COVID-19: Impact on Canadian patent owners

3 APR 2020

Canadian patentees should be aware of recent amendments to the *Patent Act* in light of the COVID-19 health emergency. Most current medical technology is protected by patents. However, during emergencies, patent rights must take a back seat to the manufacture and distribution of essential equipment – ventilators, masks, valves, etc. Bill C-13, dubbed the *Covid-19 Emergency Response Act*, received royal assent on March 25, 2020, and covers, among other things, amendments to Canada's *Patent Act* to authorize the use of patented inventions necessary to respond to a public health emergency of national concern.

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#### Patents on the blockchain - Bitcoin and beyond

29 MAY 2017

Disruptive technologies have transformed the global economy, and will continue to do so at exponential rates. Innovators at the cutting edge of these technologies should carefully review their patenting strategy, or risk being pushed out of emerging market opportunities.

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- Co-author, "Risks and Benefits of Blockchain Patents", *Electronic Commerce & Law Report*, July 5, 2017
- Co-author, "Trader v. CarGurus", *Leading Internet Case Law*, June 27, 2017
- Co-author, "Europe, U.S. reforming trade secret laws", *The Lawyers Weekly*, September 2016
- Co-author, "How Canadian firms can fight imported knockoffs", *The Lawyers Weekly*, June 2016
- Co-author, "A drag on innovation?", *The Lawyers Weekly*, September 2015
- Contributing author, "Patents: Year in Review" (presented at the IP Year in Review), Law Society of Upper Canada, Toronto, 2012-2014, 2016
- Contributing author, DLA Piper Intellectual Property Law Newsletter (IntellProp. L. Nws) – IP Source (Westlaw), 2014 - present

## NEWS

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#### Michal Kasproicz and Cristina Mihalceanu named 2020 *Managing Intellectual Property* Rising Stars

October 29, 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP congratulates Michal Kasproicz and Cristina Mihalceanu on being named Rising Stars in *Managing Intellectual Property's* IP STARS 2020 global rankings.

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### **DLA Piper patent litigators conduct Federal Court's first virtual trial**

22 JUN 2020

DLA Piper's team of patent litigators made history this month by representing their client, Videotron Ltd, in the Federal Court's first virtual trial (*Rovi Guides Inc. v. Videotron Ltd.*, T-921-17). The patent infringement proceeding involved multiple patents on interactive television program guides.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP strengthens its patent agency practice**

21 AUG 2019

DLA Piper Canada is pleased to announce that our Intellectual Property and Technology practice group now includes two more lawyers who are qualified Patent Agents in Canada. Our experienced Patent Agent team has been augmented by both the arrival of Richard Mar in our group and by the recent qualification of Michal Kasproicz as a Registered Patent Agent.

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