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- TLDs & Domain Names

**Dickerson M. Downing** is a partner in the firm's Intellectual Property Group in New York, with over 25 years of experience in trademark, copyright and trade secret law as well as other areas of intellectual property law. He has successfully brought and defended cases for trademark, trade dress and copyright infringement, false advertising, trade secret violations and related causes of action in courts throughout the United States for a variety of corporate clients. He has been involved in the seizure of infringing goods, the detainment of infringing goods by the United States Customs Office and in the successful action to prevent the sale of imported "gray market" goods in the United States. He is skilled in protecting trademark rights and preventing infringement on the internet. He also has handled numerous adversary proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board.

Dick counsels clients on a regular basis as to the availability, adoption, proper use, protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights. He has assisted and counseled clients on numerous occasions in connection with the acquisition or sale of trademark, copyright and other intellectual property rights and in the transfer of those rights on a worldwide basis. In addition, he has counseled numerous clients on trademark availability and use and has successfully handled the registration of hundreds of trademarks for his clients in the United States and overseas.

Dick graduated from Duke University in 1974 and the University of Virginia School of Law in 1977. He is admitted to the New York and Connecticut bars, the United States District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York and a number of appeals courts. He is a member of the International Trademark Association and is a frequent speaker and writer on topics pertaining to Intellectual Property.

**Education**

- Duke University (1974)
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**Affiliations**

Admitted to practice: New York, Connecticut, U.S. District Court for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York