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Michael A. LaFlame, Jr. is a member of Flaster Greenberg's Intellectual Property Department and Patent Practice Group.

Michael advises on matters involving patent application drafting, patent prosecution, and portfolio management strategies. His patent drafting experience includes drafting to meet disclosure or other bar dates in a time-sensitive manner. Michael's patent prosecution experience includes worldwide filing, continuation, and appeal strategies to further client's business interests. Additionally, Michael focuses on litigation support including claim and prior art analysis. He is also experienced in claim charting related to industry standards, including telecommunication (3GPP) and wireless charging (Qi) standards, and drafting and prosecuting claims based on these standards.

Michael works on matters in a variety of technologies, with an emphasis on communications (3G, 4G, 5G, WiFi, Bluetooth), medical and surgical devices, control systems, mechanical devices, electrical devices, electromagnetic devices, software, finance, risk management, artificial intelligence, machine learning, additive manufacturing, power tools, automotive technologies, lasers, optics, semiconductors, antenna design, electronics, nanotechnology, heating systems, appliances, cyber security, computer science, medical imaging, material science, and applied physics.

Prior to joining the firm, Michael spent more than ten years as a primary patent examiner at the United States Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO) where he worked closely with applicants to process their applications and determine whether a patent can be granted. He also advised on cases for the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, where he briefed judges on prosecution history, relevant issues, prior art, and arguments, and drafted appeal decisions.

Practice Areas

Intellectual Property Law
Patents

Admissions

Maryland
U.S. Patent and Trademark
Office

Education

- University of Baltimore
School of Law, J.D.
 - Editor, Intellectual
Property Law Journal
- Old Dominion University,
M.S., Electrical and
Computer Engineering
- Ball State University,
M.B.A, Finance (Expected
2025)
- Towson University, B.S.,
Applied Physics