

After Circling Globe, IP Litigator Returns To Fish & Richardson

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Law360 (June 11, 2024, 12:32 PM EDT) -- Fish & Richardson PC has strengthened its intellectual property litigation group in Houston with a familiar face who left the firm over a year ago to trot the globe with his wife.

Tony Nguyen told Law360 Pulse that when his year of traveling the world was over and it was time to return to work, he made one phone call.

"Fish has welcomed me back with open arms," Nguyen said. "Fish is the best, and I am lucky to have had this opportunity."

Nguyen, whose work focuses on patent litigation and related intellectual property matters, said that after his spouse finished her graduate degree in epidemiology, they embarked on the trip of a lifetime. They spent several months in France, then Japan, then Hungary, and finally in the U.S., living like "locals" in spots like Brooklyn, the California wine country and Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

"It has helped broaden how I look at things and enhanced my problem-solving capabilities," Nguyen said. "It got me out of my routine, and in traveling I was able to see how others react to challenges and solve problems. I think I'll be more creative in finding solutions to solve my clients' issues. It also increased my interpersonal skills, and I believe that will make me more effective."

Nguyen began his legal career at Fish & Richardson after earning his law degree from Texas Tech University School of Law and was there for a decade, he said. He has returned as a principal — the same role he held when he departed — and he said he's excited to get back to his practice and back to Fish & Richardson.

"There's nowhere else in the world like Fish," Nguyen said. "The deep technical knowledge, the generous spirit of collaboration, and the eagerness to take on challenging cases is second to none. I'm thrilled to return to Fish with a renewed sense of energy."

Nguyen's practice is focused on patent litigation, particularly computer hardware and semiconductor processing, and he regularly appears before the U.S. International Trade Commission, in federal district courts and at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, the firm said in a statement.

Nguyen holds a bachelor's degree from the Rochester Institute of Technology and worked as an



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engineer at Samsung before attending law school, his LinkedIn profile shows.

Corrin Drakulich, head of global litigation, said in the statement that, "Tony is a talented litigator and a wonderful colleague."

"He's a homegrown Fish attorney with a first-hand understanding of our cooperative style of work and solutions-oriented approach to client service," Drakulich said. "We're excited to welcome him back to the firm."

Fish & Richardson operates from 14 locations across the U.S., Germany and China and employs more than 350 attorneys, according to the firm's website.

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