



## Keith D. Grzelak - Principal

KEITH D. GRZELAK is a principal in private practice with a Spokane, Washington Intellectual Property firm, Wells St. John PS. He is currently IEEE-USA's Vice President for Government Relations, Co-Chair of IEEE-USA's IP Professional's Initiative, and serves on the Board of Directors for IEEE-USA. He focuses his practice on counseling, procurement and portfolio management of intellectual property rights in the U.S. and abroad. He is responsible for intellectual property counseling for technology clients including patent and trademark portfolio management, procurement, and rendering of opinions. Areas of practice also include general counseling for startup and growth companies. Technical areas of emphasis include computers (hardware/software), Internet and electronic commerce, semiconductor devices, control systems, medical devices and processes, and various complex electromechanical systems.

### Representative Practice:

- Representation of private technology companies to strategize and procure patent portfolios.
- Counsel technology companies on intellectual property issues for technology cooperation agreements.
- Representation of computer clients to strategize and procure patent and trademark portfolios.
- Representation of medical devices pioneer in patent procurement and market entry barrier issues.
- Advise technology client on patent portfolio management, growth strategies, and claim mapping

### Professional Affiliations:

- U.S. Patent Bar
- State Bar of Washington
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE-USA) – Intellectual Property Committee, Past Chair
- IEEE-USA IP Professional's Initiative, Co-Chair
- IEEE-USA Vice President for Government Relations
- IEEE-USA - Member, Board of Directors
- Tau Beta Pi

### Prior Professional Experience:

- Associate Patent Attorney – Responsible for client counseling, patent prosecution, and litigation with full service IP firm.
- Engineer – Responsible for design, data analysis, and litigation support for automotive safety & crashworthiness engineering and impact bio-fidelity.

### Education:

- M.S.E.E. – Wayne State University, with specialty in bio-instrumentation
- J.D. – Detroit College of Law
- M.S.E.M. – Michigan Technological University; thesis in bio-mechanics
- B.S.M.E. – Michigan Technological University
- Graduate and undergraduate courses in biology, physiology, bio-instrumentation and bio-mechanics