



TECHNOLOGY & INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

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COLORADO LAW PROVIDES ONE OF THE LEADING LEGAL PROGRAMS for information technology law and policy in the nation. The technology and intellectual property faculty come from a diverse and accomplished background and provide our students with a nationally-recognized education and are dedicated to placing students in meaningful careers in these fields.

Through comprehensive class offerings; hands-on clinical programs; a prestigious technology law journal; extensive internship opportunities in Colorado, Washington, D.C., and across the nation; and access to the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship, students and alumni interested in technology and IP are supported throughout law school and throughout their careers.

Our students develop not only the skills and connections they need to excel in their careers but also receive the intellectual nourishment and exposure to cutting-edge ideas that can come only from the network of scholars and other thought leaders we provide.

The law school takes advantage of its location in the Denver-Boulder metro area, which is the heart of one of the nation's premier telecommunications and technology hubs. Boulder has a vibrant entrepreneurial community with many thriving start-up and emerging companies.

Boulder is ranked number one by Federal Reserve Bank of Boston researchers as the highest performing small city for venture capital investment and ranked number two by the American Electronics Association for percentage of workers employed in high technology. Additionally, Colorado Law benefits from an extensive network of alumni and supporters across the nation—from Silicon Valley to Washington, D.C., and everywhere in between.

Technology and intellectual property lawyers address interesting policy challenges and novel legal issues and rank among the most satisfied practitioners in the legal profession. Colorado Law is located in the right place at the right time and has the support of the right people for students interested in exploring the frontiers of technology and intellectual property law.



PAUL OHM
Associate Professor
Former Advisor,
Federal Trade Commission

ACADEMICS

Colorado Law is at the forefront of technology and intellectual property law. Whether you are interested in litigation, transactional work, or policy concerns, Colorado Law has one of the most comprehensive legal programs in the nation that will provide you with the foundation you need to be prepared to practice law in the information age.

COURSES

Intellectual Property, Technology, and Telecommunications Law

Computers and the Law
Copyright
Information Privacy
Intellectual Property Counseling and Prosecution
Introduction to Intellectual Property Law
IP and Technology Contracting
Law and Economics of the Information Age
Patent Law
Patent Litigation
Spectrum Management
Technology of Privacy
Technology Transactions
Telecommunications Law and Policy
Trademark and Unfair Competition Law

CLINICS

Technology Law and Policy Clinic

We offer students interdisciplinary, hands-on opportunities to develop and execute strategic advocacy initiatives aimed at making an impact on cutting-edge technology policy issues in the public interest. Students get legal practice before administrative bodies, which is a critical component of many attorneys' practices. Under the supervision of Director Blake Reid, students advocate before state and federal administrative agencies and federal appellate courts on a variety of telecommunications, intellectual property, privacy, accessibility, and other policy and regulatory matters with substantial technology dimensions.

Entrepreneurial Law Clinic

We provide law students with practical experience in transactional law while offering valuable legal services without charge to local startups lacking access to investor resources. Our clients include graduate students, professors, local entrepreneurs, and startup companies. Third-year students staff the clinic during the academic year under the joint supervision of a full-time clinician and experienced attorneys from top law firms in Boulder and Denver. Students interact with clients to provide legal advice on a wide range of business law issues including entity formation, intellectual property, employment, and contracts.

DUAL DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

JD/MBA
JD/MS, Telecommunications
Entrepreneurial Law Certificate
Tax Emphasis Program
LLM in Entrepreneurial Law
LLM in Information Technology and Intellectual Property Law

SCHOLARSHIPS

Colorado Bar Association Tax Section
Entrepreneurial Law Clinic
James R. McBride Scholarship for IP Law
Palantir Privacy Scholarship
Thomas Schatzel Scholarship for IP Law

INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

Dale Hatfield Scholars Program in D.C.
D.C. Scholars in the Private Sector
Information & Communications Technology
Business Law Program
Palantir Scholars in Public Service

SCOTT R. PEPPE (CONT'D)

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Scott R. Peppet, Prostitution 3.0?, 98 IOWA L. REV. 1989 (2013).

Scott R. Peppet, Freedom of Contract in an Augmented Reality: The Case of Consumer Contracts, 59 UCLA L. REV. 676 (2012).

Peppet (with Robert Mnookin & Andrew Tulumello), Beyond Winning: Negotiating To Create Value in Deals and Disputes (2000).

BLAKE REID

ASSISTANT CLINICAL PROFESSOR

LLM, Georgetown Law School

JD, University of Colorado Law School

Professor Reid leads the Samuelson-Glushko Technology Law & Policy Clinic. Prior to joining Colorado Law, Professor Reid was a staff attorney and graduate fellow in First Amendment and media law at the Institute for Public Representation at Georgetown Law and a law clerk for Justice Nancy E. Rice on the Colorado Supreme Court.

COURSE

Technology Law and Policy Clinic

HARRY SURDEN

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW

JD, Stanford Law School

Professor Surden joined the Colorado Law faculty in 2008. His scholarship centers upon intellectual property law with a substantive focus on patents and copyright, information privacy law, and the application of computer technology within the legal system. Prior to joining Colorado Law, he was a resident fellow at the Stanford Center for Computers and Law (CodeX) at Stanford Law School.

COURSES

Patent Law, Torts I, Introduction to Intellectual Property Law, and Computers and the Law

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Harry Surden, NSA Data Fight Could Signal Privacy War | U.S. News (2013).

Harry Surden, Computable Contracts, 46 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 629 (2012).

Harry Surden, Efficient Uncertainty in Patent Interpretation, 68 WASH & LEE L. REV 1737 (2011).

PHIL WEISER

DEAN

JD, New York University School of Law

Dean Weiser is the Dean of the law school, Thomson Professor of Law, and Executive Director and Founder of the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship at the University of Colorado. In 2011, Dean Weiser re-joined the Colorado Law faculty as Dean. Since first joining the Colorado Law faculty in 1999, Dean Weiser has written and taught in the areas of competition policy, innovation policy, and Internet policy.

COURSES

Entrepreneurial Innovation & Public Policy, Framing and Legal Narrative, Law and Economics of the Information Age, Antitrust, and Law and Economics of Utility Regulation

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Nuechterlein, Jonathan, and Philip Weiser. Digital Crossroads: American Telecommunications Policy in the Internet Age. 2nd. ed. Cambridge: The MIT Press (2013).

Philip J. Weiser & Joe Waz, Internet Governance: The Role of Multistakeholder Organizations, 10 J. on TELECOMM. & HIGH TECH. L. 331 (2013).

Philip J. Weiser, Towards an International Dialogue on the Institutional Side of Antitrust, 66 N.Y.U. ANN. SURV. AM. L. 445 (2011).

FACULTY

BRAD BERNTHAL

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW
JD, University of Colorado Law School

Professor Bernthal is the founder and director of the Silicon Flatirons Center's Entrepreneurship Initiative, which connects the CU-Boulder campus with the surrounding high tech entrepreneurial community. His teaching and research focuses upon entrepreneurial law and innovation policy. Prior to academia, he worked at Brobeck, Phleger & Harrison LLP; Hogan & Hartson, LLP; and Berg Hill Greenleaf & Ruscitti LLP. Prior to law school, Bernthal conducted legislative research as a staff assistant to U.S. Senator Robert Kerrey.

COURSES

Entrepreneurial Law Clinic, Venture Capital and Private Equity, Technology Law and Policy Equity, Trial Competition, and Telecommunications Law and Policy Clinic

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Brad Bernthal, New venue will give startup crowd a place to socialize, share ideas | Indianapolis Business Journal (2011).

Brad Bernthal, Is Boulder the Next Silicon Valley? | MSNBC News (2011).

Bernthal (with Timothy X. Brown, Dale N. Hatfield, Douglas C. Sicker, Peter A. Tenhula & Philip J. Weiser), Trends and Precedents Favoring a Regulatory Embrace of Smart Radio Technologies, in Proc. of the IEEE Symposium on New Frontiers in Dynamic Spectrum Access Networks (2007).

PAUL OHM

ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF LAW
JD, UCLA School of Law

In 2012-2013, Professor Ohm took a year of leave to serve as Senior Policy Advisor to the Federal Trade Commission. Prior to joining Colorado Law, he served as an Honors Program trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice's Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section. Much of his scholarship focuses on how evolving technology disrupts individual privacy. In 2010, he was awarded the prize for Excellence in Teaching by the students of Colorado Law.

COURSES

Technology of Privacy, Introduction to Intellectual Property Law, Computer Crime, Copyright, Information Privacy, Quantitative Methods, and Criminal Procedure: Investigative Phase

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Ohm (with James Grimmelman), The Future of Internet Law: Book Review of Jonathan Zittrain, The Future of the Internet: And How to Stop It (Forthcoming).

Paul Ohm, Branding Privacy, 97 MINN. L. REV. 907 (2013).

Paul Ohm, The Fourth Amendment in a World Without Privacy, 81 MISS. L.J. 1309 (2012).

SCOTT R. PEPPE

PROFESSOR OF LAW
JD, Harvard Law School

Professor Peppet's scholarship focuses on the ethics of alternative dispute resolution and privacy, technology, and contracts. He previously taught at Harvard Law School and was a Senior Fellow on Negotiation at the Harvard Negotiation Research Project. In 2002, Colorado Law students honored him with their Excellence in Teaching Award. He lives in Boulder with his wife, children, and a quarter horse named Betsy.

COURSES

Contracts, Legal Negotiation, Counseling Families in Business, Telos Project, and Nonprofit Law

CAREERS

Colorado Law's commitment to helping you excel in your professional endeavors comes through the individualized support of our Career Development Office. With four career advisors with JDs, we will connect you with employers and help you succeed in the current job market. The depth and breadth of experiences, theory, and skills you will gain will enable you to make meaningful contributions as intellectual property and technology practitioners upon graduation. Our 7,000+ alumni network provides you access to and support from leaders across the nation.

RECENT TOP EMPLOYERS

Cooley LLP
DISH Network LLC
Dorsey & Whitney
Faegre Baker Daniels
Fairfield and Woods, PC
Federal Communications Commission
Federal Trade Commission

Foley & Mansfield
Kilpatrick Townsend LLP
Lathrop & Gage
MacMillan Sobanski & Todd
Merchant & Gould PC
Patton Boggs LLP
Polsinelli Shughart
Sheridan Ross
SolidFire

JOURNAL

Journal on Telecommunications and High Technology Law (JTHTL)

"Being involved with Silicon Flatirons, JTHTL, and the tech policy clinic were invaluable in preparing me for my work with the Federal Communications Commission. These programs, as well as the many telecom and tech related courses, gave me a strong foundation to pursue my goal of contributing to telecommunications policy."



MADELAINE MAIOR ('12)
Attorney Advisor
Federal Communications Commission

"The opportunity to develop advocacy skills before federal and state agencies in the Technology Law and Policy Clinic was an invaluable learning experience for me, and opened the door for many other opportunities."



JAMIE JACKSON ('13)
Attorney
Patton Boggs LLP

STUDENT GROUP

The Silicon Flatirons Student Group

"I found our Colorado Law intern much more prepared than other 2Ls to dive into telecom issues, plus she understood (even better than some attorneys) how to highlight the key information needed for clients. We appreciated having had two such capable students from Colorado Law—your students are definitely firm-ready!"



MICHELE FARQUHAR
Partner
Hogan Lovells US LLP
Washington, D.C.

"Colorado Law could not have prepared me better for my career in telecommunications law and policy. I continue to benefit from the program and from my fellow alumni. You'll have difficulty finding a better investment."



NICK ALEXANDER ('01)
Special Counsel
Federal Communications Commission

SILICON FLATIRONS CENTER FOR LAW, TECHNOLOGY, AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship (SFC) is an interdisciplinary research center at the University of Colorado Law School that provides unique opportunities for students to interact with high-level attorneys, policy-makers, businesses, and entrepreneurs, and familiarizes students with policy issues in telecommunications, technology, and intellectual property. SFC's core mission is to elevate the debate surrounding technology policy issues; support and enable entrepreneurship in the technology community; and inspire, prepare, and place students in these important areas.

INITIATIVES & PROJECTS

Technology Policy Initiative

Seated in innovative Boulder, Colorado, SFC is well positioned to attract thoughtful policy leaders, legal and business professionals, and entrepreneurs to discuss the challenges and opportunities of various technology policy issues.

Entrepreneurship Initiative

In support of Boulder's entrepreneurial environment, SFC helps stitch together the entrepreneurial fabric for the area's software, telecommunications, and Internet startup communities.

Privacy Initiative

SFC sponsors an annual conference that has become one of the most important venues for debate, housing scholars at the center of thought leadership on the topic, and training students to become the next generation of lawyers, advisors, and policymakers in the field.

Energy Innovation Initiative

SFC builds on the law school's deep expertise in technology, entrepreneurship, energy, and natural resources to support research and analysis; training for students and professionals; and an ongoing series of public lectures, workshops, and conferences.

Spectrum Policy Initiative

Careful interdisciplinary work in the wireless technology market that pulls together policy, electrical engineering, and computer science expertise.

IP Initiative

SFC hosts a yearly patent conference focusing on competition policy and software patent challenges. With the opening of a U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in Denver, Silicon Flatirons is developing promising areas for collaboration.

The New Normal and Law 2.0 Project

Through conferences, roundtables, white papers, and research, SFC convenes and engages the brightest and most forward-looking thinkers about the future of the legal profession and legal education.

EVENTS & CONFERENCES

Crash Course Series for Entrepreneurs

Digital Broadband Migration:

After the Internet Protocol Revolution

Energy Innovation Series

Entrepreneurs Unplugged Series

In House Counsel Series

New Venture Challenge

Radio Spectrum Pollution: Facing the Challenge of a Threatened Resource

Roundtable Series on Entrepreneurship, Innovation, and Public Policy

Software Patents and Their Challenges

The Challenge of Monetizing Content in a Changing Era

The Future of Entrepreneurial Finance

The Future of Health Care Innovation

The New Frontiers of Privacy Harm

Towards Dynamic Markets in Electric Power, Water, and Wireless Spectrum

What I Wish I Knew in Law School



PHIL WEISER

Dean

Executive Director and Founder

Since first joining the Colorado Law faculty in 1999, Dean Weiser has worked to establish a national center of excellence in telecommunications and technology law at Colorado Law, founding the *Journal on Telecommunications & High Technology Law* (JHTL) and the Silicon Flatirons Center for Law, Technology, and Entrepreneurship.

In June 2011, Weiser became dean of Colorado Law, prior to which he served as the Senior Advisor for Technology and Innovation to the National Economic Council Director at the White House and as the Deputy Assistant Attorney General at the U.S. Department of Justice's Antitrust Division.

Prior to joining the Colorado Law faculty in 1999, Dean Weiser served as senior counsel to the Assistant Attorney General in charge of the Antitrust Division at the U.S. Department of Justice, advising him primarily on telecommunications matters.

Before his appointment at the Justice Department, Dean Weiser served as a law clerk to Justices Byron R. White and Ruth Bader Ginsburg at the U.S. Supreme Court and to Judge David Ebel at the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals.



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One of the “fathers of the Internet,” **Vint Cerf, Vice President and Chief Internet Evangelist for Google**, speaks at the Silicon Flatirons Center’s annual Digital Broadband Migration Conference at Colorado Law. Recent conferences have covered the Dynamics of Disruptive Innovation, the Challenges of Internet Law and Government, and the Future of Internet-Enabled Innovation.

