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Eric Christu is a partner in the West Palm Beach office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where he is Chair of the Intellectual Property Practice Group. Eric and the Shutts IP Practice Group handle all aspects of patent, trademark, copyright, trade secrets, and other intellectual property matters.

A Martindale-Hubbell AV® rated attorney, Eric has regularly been named one of the *Best Lawyers in America*® and was one of the first to be designated by The Florida Bar as Board Certified in Business Litigation. Eric specializes in complex commercial and business disputes, with a focus on intellectual property, construction and real estate issues. He also regularly handles matters involving banking, corporate, and probate disputes in state and federal courts. His active trial practice includes recent cases involving complex intellectual property issues, partnership disputes, and probate & trust litigation.

Eric has served as a member of the *Ad Hoc* Advisory Committee on Court-Annexed Mediation for the Southern District of Florida, past-President of the Palm Beach County Federal Bar Association, and past-Chair of the Florida Bar Business Litigation Certification Committee.

Practice Areas

Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy

Intellectual Property

Litigation

Securities Fraud Litigation

Construction

Accolades

- Florida Bar Board Certified in Business Litigation (since 1996)
- Martindale-Hubbell AV® Preeminent™ Rated
- "Top Lawyer," *Palm Beach Illustrated*, 2021, 2022
- "Top Lawyer," *Jupiter Magazine*, 2022
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Commercial Litigation, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
- *Florida Super Lawyers*, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
- *South Florida Legal Guide*, Top Lawyers in South Florida, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

Education

- Georgetown University Law Center, J.D., 1984
- University of Minnesota, B.A. with honors, 1981

Bar Admissions

Florida

Colorado

Court Admissions

- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida
- U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida

Professional and Civic

- Palm Beach Civic Association, Director
- Palm Beach County Federal Bar Association, Past President

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- Florida Bar Business Litigation Certification Committee, Past Chair
- American Bar Association's Forum on the Construction Industry, Past Member, Division Steering Committee
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, ad hoc Advisory Committee on Court-Annexed Mediation (2009-2014)
- Member – American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
- Town of Palm Beach Planning and Zoning Commission - Voting Member (Current)