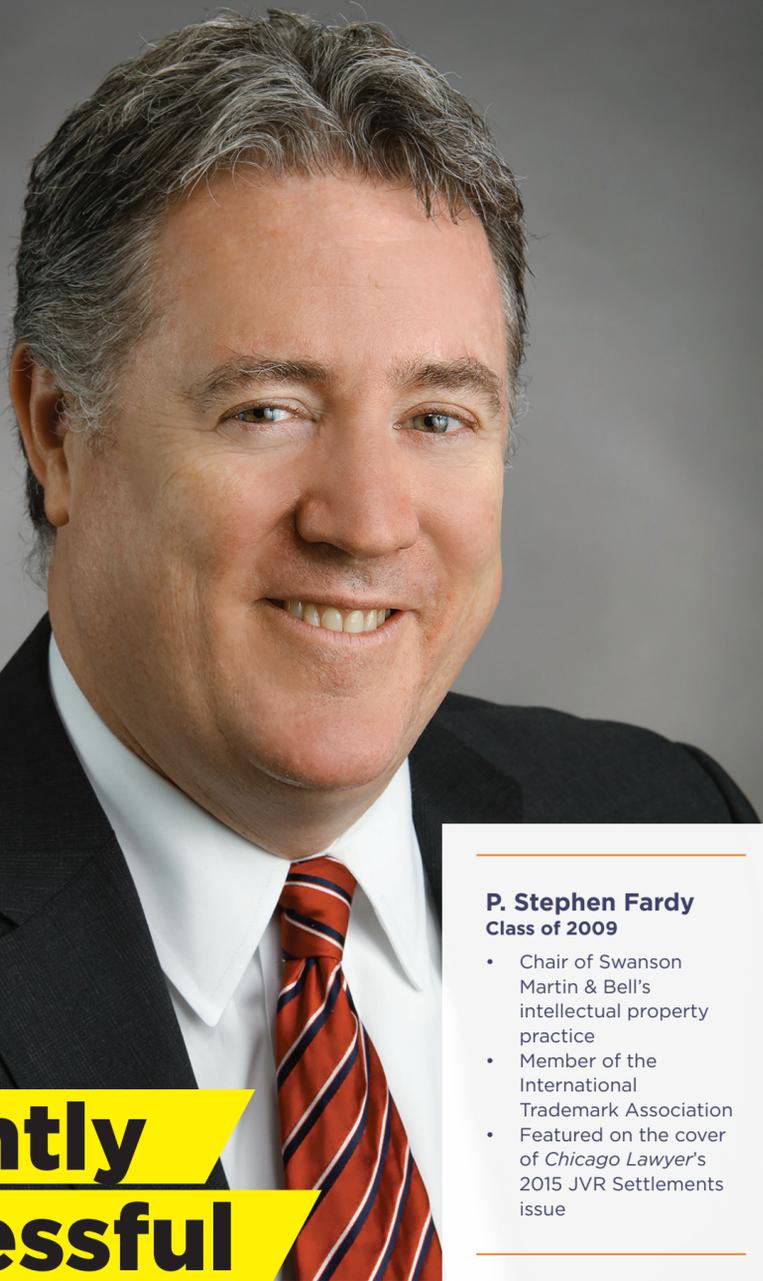


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P. Stephen Fardy
Class of 2009

- Chair of Swanson Martin & Bell's intellectual property practice
- Member of the International Trademark Association
- Featured on the cover of *Chicago Lawyer's* 2015 JVR Settlements issue

When P. Stephen Fardy started building an intellectual property practice in the early and mid 2000s, he couldn't have predicted the national scope the practice would eventually reach.

"The firm's IP practice, not only has it grown enormously, it's also now all over the U.S.," said Fardy, an equity partner at Swanson Martin & Bell LLP and chair of its IP practice group.

"If you would have told me 10 years ago that's what I would be doing now, I would have been surprised. It's worked out well."

Fardy spearheaded the firm's IP practice after earning an LLM in intellectual property law from The John

Marshall Law School in 2001.

He said the growth of Swanson Martin & Bell's IP practice helped the firm secure a \$61 million trade-secret settlement from Morningstar in July 2014 on behalf of his client, Business Logic Holding Corp.

At the time, it was the largest recorded settlement in Illinois judicial history and ninth-largest trade-secret settlement ever recorded in the United States.

He recently received a defense verdict in a patent-ownership trial in Colorado. Fardy also obtained summary judgment for Michael Jackson in a copyright and trademark dispute.

"I think one of the amazing things about being a lawyer generally is that you never stop learning," he said. "You are always a student of the law, a student of the client. You continually try to learn from your past experiences."

He earned his law degree in 1994 from Indiana University Maurer School of Law

Fardy is chair of the intellectual property practice group, and was the firm's co-chair for The Chicago Bar Foundation's Investing in Justice campaign. He also an active member of the International Trademark Association.

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2009:
LOOKING BACK

President Barack Obama wins the Nobel Peace Prize in his first year in office.



Bulls star Derrick Rose is named NBA Rookie of the Year.



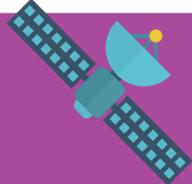
The Black Eyed Peas spent 26 weeks with a No. 1 single on the charts.



"Avatar" becomes the highest-grossing film in history.



GPS became a basic smartphone feature.

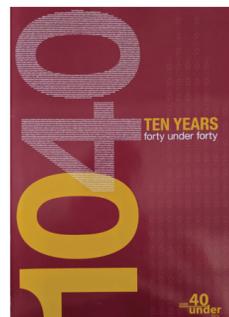


Michael Jackson's death triggers an outpouring of grief and a surge in web traffic.



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Now: Executive Director at Danu Center for Strategic Advocacy
Then: Legal Assistance Foundation

John C. Anderson

Now: Will County circuit judge
Then: Thompson Coburn

Kenneth C. Apicella

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Then: Kelley Drye & Warren LLP

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Then: Corboy & Demetrio

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Then: Laner Muchin

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Then: Bradford & Gordon LLC

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Then: McAndrews Held & Malloy

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Then: McDermott Will & Emery

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Then: Winston & Strawn LLP

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Now: Partner at Levenfeld Pearlstein LLC
Then: Levenfeld Pearlstein

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Now: Partner at Schiller DuCanto & Fleck LLP
Then: Schiller DuCanto & Fleck

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Now: Partner at Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila
Then: Perkins Coie LLP

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Now: Partner at Dentons US LLP
Then: Sonnenschein Nath Rosenthal

Alan W. Nicgorski

Now: Managing Partner at Hansen Reynolds LLC
Then: Scandaglia Ryan

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Then: Hinshaw & Culbertson

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Now: Principal at Rock Fusco & Connelly LLC
Then: Rock Fusco

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Now: Assistant General Counsel at American Medical Association
Then: Dykema Gossett LLC

Beatriz Santiago

Now: Cook County circuit judge
Then: Cook County assistant public defender

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Then: Jenner & Block LLP

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Then: Skadden Arps Slate Meager & Flom LLP

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Now: Partner at DLA Piper
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Elaine Waterhouse Wilson

Now: Professor at West Virginia University College of Law
Then: Quarles & Brady LLP

Eugena A. Whitson-Owen

Now: Trial attorney at Krakar Fanning & Olsen
Then: SmithAmundsen LLP

Calling a career
audible

Joseph Q. McCoy's move in 2017 from Bryan Cave LLP - where he was managing partner - to a position at Riley Safer Holmes & Cancila LLP may have confused some in the legal community.

"It was probably an unusual step to some looking at it," recalls McCoy, a partner and the head of the business transactions practice at RSHC, a firm that launched in early 2016 with 21 lawyers and has now swelled to more than 70 in several offices around the country.

A 1998 graduate of Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, McCoy spent four years at Perkins Coie LLP before joining Bryan Cave in 2012. He was named managing partner in fall 2014.

McCoy, who spent four years as starting quarterback of the University of Chicago

football team in the '90s, said he was drawn to an opportunity to create a practice area from scratch at a RSHC.

"Ultimately for me, it is about the challenge, the development," he said. "With tackling those challenges, with those career and professional development opportunities, how do you then take that and try to use what you are learning - and what you are doing, and the exposure you're getting - to impact the lives of others?"



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