

## **Robert H. Thornburg**

Robert is a Miami based Registered Patent Attorney and shareholder at Allen, Dyer, Doppelt, Milbrath & Gilchrist, P.A. focusing on patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret and related technology litigation. In addition to his litigation practice, Robert also represents clients in the area of patent and trademark prosecution, domain name disputes, and electronic discovery counseling. Mr. Thornburg has also severed on multiple occasions as a testifying expert in the field of trademark survey evidence.

Robert is a 2002 *cum laude* graduate of the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where he received a Certificate Degree in Intellectual Property Law as well as the Order of Barristers award. While in law school, he served as Vice-Chair of the Justice Campbell Thornal Moot Court Board, Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Technology Law & Policy, and President of the Florida Intellectual Property Law Association. In 1999, Robert received a B.S. in Chemical Engineering, *cum laude*, from the University of Notre Dame. He also received an LLM in Intellectual Property Law, *with honors*, in 2004 from The John Marshall Law School in Chicago.

Robert currently serves on the Copyright Society of the USA Miami Chapter steering committee. He is also the Head Trustee of The Growing Place School in Coral Gables.

Robert is the immediate past President of the Intellectual Property Law Association of Florida. He also serves on the Executive Counsel of the Business Law Section of the Florida Bar, where he previously served as Chair of the Section's Intellectual Property Committee. Likewise, he is a former Chair of the Section's Computer & Cyber Law Committee.

Mr. Thornburg is an active lecturer on topics relating to intellectual property and has served as a visiting lecturer at the University of Florida College of Law, the University of Miami School of Law, Florida State University College of Law, and the University of Notre Dame College of Engineering. Recent lectures / panels in which Robert has participated in include:

- JAMS Miami Resolution Center's March 4, 2014 panel discussion regarding use of mediations in intellectual property disputes;
- Nevada Bar Association's November 1, 2013 Intellectual Property Symposium, where he was the kick-off presenter addressing recent trends in the Ninth Circuit regarding use of trademark survey evidence; and
- Thomson LegalWorks' 2006 A-Z Electronic Discovery Workshop in Miami.

His recognitions in the field of intellectual property law include the following:

- Miami Daily Business Review, Rising Stars: 2013
- Best Lawyers in America (Copyright Law, Miami): 2013, 2014, 2015
- South Florida Lawyers Guide (Intellectual Property Law): 2013, 2014
- Florida Super Lawyers: 2013, 2014 (Rising Stars, 2010, 2011 & 2012)
- Florida Trend Legal Elite, Up and Comers 2010, 2012
- Cystic Fibrosis 40 Under 40 Outstanding Attorneys of Miami-Dade County: 2009

Mr. Thornburg comes from an avid Gator Family, which includes his wife Ashley Hux Thornburg (Miss University of Florida 2006 & UF '06), his sister-in-law Allison Hux Chance (UF '10), and brother-in-law Kyle Chance (UF '08). The University of Florida College of Medicine's Professorship of Surgery is named in honor after his late father-in-law Dr. Robert Henry Hux. Robert resides in Coral Gables with his wife, along with son Robert Henry Hux Thornburg and daughter Kate Ella Thornburg.