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Alexander W. Koff is a partner and Co-Chair of the International Practice at the U.S. law firm Whiteford Taylor & Preston LLP. Alex serves as outside general counsel to companies, advises individual clients, and acts as special counsel to other lawyers on international legal and regulatory issues. In his role as outside general counsel, typically he negotiates fixed fee arrangements that offer a predictable and affordable fee for most services. His diverse practice spans a variety of industries with a special emphasis on monetizing intellectual property rights. Alex speaks and writes regularly on the topic, and he litigates cases before the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC). In 2013, he was elected to the Executive Committee for the ITC Trial Lawyers Association (term expiring 2016) and serves also as its Membership Chair. In 2011, he presented the results of a 9-month independent intellectual property rights study at the World Trade Organization in Geneva.

In addition to his legal practice, Alex was appointed by the Governor of the State of Maryland to the Governor's International Advisory Council, which provides strategic direction on ways to enhance Maryland's global profile. He was appointed also by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce to the Maryland/D.C. District Export Council, where he serves as Vice Chair and Chair of the Trade Policy Committee. In 2013, he was elected to the Executive Committee for the ITC Trial Lawyers Association (term expiring 2016) and serves also as its Membership Chair. Alex serves also on various corporate and non-profit boards, including the Enoch Pratt Free Library (the public library of Baltimore City and the Maryland State Library Resource Center), Jhpiego (an international non-profit health organization affiliated with Johns Hopkins University and dedicated to maternal health issues in developing countries), and the Maryland-Asia Environmental Partnership.

Alex's awards and honors include an AV Peer Review Rating in Martindale-Hubbell (highest awarded), and he is listed in *International Who's Who of Trade & Customs Lawyers* (since 2010, one of roughly 250 worldwide), *International Who's Who of Business Lawyers*, (since 2011), Best Lawyers in America (since 2011), *Benchmark Litigation: The Definitive Guide to America's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys*, *Maryland SuperLawyers*, and other respected publications.

Alex received both his B.A. and J.D. from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and an M.Phil. in international relations from Cambridge University in the United Kingdom. His full resume is at <http://www.wtplaw.com/professionals/alexander-w-koff>.

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