



BANNOCKBURN, ILLINOIS

NEAL & McDEVITT, LLC

2801 Lakeside Drive, Suite 201

Bannockburn, IL 60015

P: 847.881.[Direct Dial Extension]

F: 847.441.0911

ebrown@nealmcdevitt.com



Evan Brown
Recommended Individual 2026

Evan D. Brown

PARTNER

Evan advises companies of all sizes on matters pertaining to technology, intellectual property and privacy. His practice covers a wide range of related issues, including licensing, online services, blockchain technologies (including NFTs), technology development, big data and analytics, the internet of things, social media, domain names, and copyright and trademark protection.

Evan has extensive experience negotiating and drafting licensing and master service agreements for both providers and users of hosted services in many industries, including commercial airlines, delivery services, hotels and restaurants, commercial real estate, and food safety. His counsel helps his online service provider clients enter into the safe harbor protections of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) and to enjoy the immunity provided by the Communications Decency Act (Section 230). He also advises companies in structuring and executing sophisticated reseller, referral partner and other similar arrangements.

In addition to his transactional practice, Evan counsels and represents clients in dispute resolution. He is an experienced litigator in federal and state court, defending and asserting clients' rights in copyright and trademark infringement disputes, breach of contract, and matters related to unauthorized access to computer systems and communications.

Evan has decided hundreds of cases as a panelist for the World Intellectual Property Organization located in Geneva, Switzerland, hearing domain name disputes under the UDRP. He brings his deep experience as a WIPO panelist to client matters, prosecuting cases for clients to successfully enforce their intellectual property rights against cybersquatters and other opportunistic online actors.

Evan is an adjunct professor at Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he teaches a full semester course to second and third-year law students on negotiation strategies and techniques. He is a frequent public speaker, author and commentator on a wide variety of topics related to law, technology and new media. For more than a decade he has written the award-winning blog located at evan.law (formerly internetcases.com).

LinkedIN: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/internetcases/>

ADMISSION TO PRACTICE:

Illinois – (2002)

Colorado (inactive) – (2001)

U.S. District Court for the Northern
District of Illinois – (2003)

EDUCATION:

Juris Doctor, University of Denver Sturm
College of Law (2000)

Bachelor of Arts, Wabash College (1997)

Experience

- Partner, Neal & McDevitt (2022 – Present)
- Partner, Much Shelist, P.C. (2014 – 2022)
- Senior Counsel, Information Law Group LLC (2012 – 2014)
- Associate, Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP (2006 – 2012)
- Associate, Davis McGrath LLC (2002 – 2006)

Professional Accomplishments

- Domain Name Panelist with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (2014-Present)
- Leading Lawyers Network, Computer & Technology Law, (2017-2022)

Community

- Naperville Presbyterian Church (Elder)
- Indian Prairie Educational Foundation (Board Member) 2016-2019

Professional Activities and Membership

- Chicago Bar Association (CBA), Past Chairman of the Cyberlaw and Data Privacy Committee
- Ally Law, Law Firm Delegate (2017-2018)
- American Bar Association (ABA)
- International Trademark Association (INTA)

Representative Cases

District Court

- **ITR Group, Inc. v. Upp Technology, Inc.** (D. Minn.) (Breach of technology services contract) (Defendant's Counsel)
- **Blow v. Bijora, Inc.** (N.D. Ill.) (Telephone Consumer Privacy Act class action) (Defendants' counsel)

World Intellectual Property Organization (Domain Name Disputes)

- **Guitar Center, Inc. v. Richard Ouzounian** (Complainant's counsel)
- **Guitar Center, Inc. v. Luiz Carlos de Arruda Leite** (Complainant's counsel)
- **SundaeSwap Labs, Inc. v. Lilly Smith** (Complainant's counsel)
- **John P. Cusack v. Domain Admin, Whois Privacy Corp** (Complainant's counsel)

