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Salvador M. Bezos is a director in Sterne Kessler's Electronics Practice Group. Sal helps clients develop enforceable patent portfolios in a wide range of technical areas, including user interfaces, financial software products, cloud computing, parallel and distributed computer architectures, computer graphics, networking, automotive technology, databases, and computer architectures. His extensive experience representing patent owners and petitioners alike in trials before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) allows him to help inventors secure patents that can withstand validity challenges, including statutory subject matter issues in the business method and software areas.

Sal's legal leadership extends beyond intellectual property. As a member of the firm's *pro bono* committee, Sal has collaborated with Washington, D.C.-area legal aid services to expand the firm's *pro bono* practice into immigration law. Through this program, Sal and the firm have filed a habeas petition to reunite an immigrant child with his family, helped victims of violence and abuse apply for U Nonimmigrant Status, counseled detained immigrants in numerous bond hearings, and helped DACA recipients navigate changes in the law. In conjunction with these efforts, Sal serves on the Board of Directors of Legal Aid Justice Center, a Virginia legal services provider that partners with communities and clients to achieve justice by dismantling systems that create and perpetuate poverty.

Sal is a recognized leader in securing and defending patent rights, having served as an adjunct professor at George Mason University's Antonin Scalia Law School since 2012, where he teaches patent writing. Sal also serves as the vice chair of the PTAB Trial Committee of the American Intellectual Property Law Association, and has been a regular speaker on PTAB topics at committee events.

Sal is also passionate about education, serving on the Board of Directors of Computer CORE, a Virginia non-profit whose mission is to teach low-income adults the technological and professional skills needed to pursue their career aspirations. In addition, Sal served as the chair of the Technology and Engineering Education Advisory Board for Fairfax County Public Schools and as a general board member for ten years, where he provided industry perspectives and review of Fairfax County's middle and high school engineering curriculum.

Sal earned his J.D., Intellectual Property Law Specialty Track, from George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School, his M.S. in electrical and computer engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, and his B.S. in computer engineering from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

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