



## THOMAS A. SHEWMAKE

### ASSOCIATE

#### BACKGROUND

Tom focuses his practice primarily on patent and other intellectual property litigation in a variety of technical areas and with a particular focus on biotechnology matters. He received a B.S. degree in Bioengineering from the University of California –Berkeley in 2003 and an M.S. degree in Bioengineering from Arizona State University in 2008. Tom was awarded his J.D. *cum laude* from the University of Arizona's James E. Rogers College of Law in 2011.

#### EXPERIENCE

Tom's litigation experience includes representing clients in cases involving patent infringement, trademark infringement and unfair competition, copyright infringement, and related commercial matters in both trial and appellate courts. He also has experience in U.S. and foreign patent prosecution, trademark prosecution, intellectual property licensing, and patent validity and infringement evaluations. Tom's experience covers a wide range of technologies, including medical devices, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology and chemistry.

Prior to joining Seed IP, Tom worked as an associate attorney at a multi-practice firm in Seattle (2015-2016), at a boutique IP firm in Tucson, Arizona (2011, 2012-2015), and served as a judicial extern (2009) and a law clerk (2011-2012) for the Honorable James A. Teilborg, United States District Court for the District of Arizona. As a graduate engineering student, Tom's research focused on using computer modeling to investigate and design more effective molecular constructs for targeting cancer cells for drug delivery and other therapeutic and diagnostic applications.

#### AFFILIATIONS

Tom is admitted to the Arizona State Bar and the Washington State Bar and is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Tom is also admitted to practice in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He is a member of the Washington State Patent Law Association (WSPLA) and Life Science Washington (formerly Washington Biotechnology and Biomedical Association).

#### EDUCATION

University of Arizona –  
James E. Rogers College of Law  
J.D. (*cum laude*) 2011

Arizona State University  
Bioengineering  
M.S. 2008

University of California –  
Berkeley  
Bioengineering  
B.S. 2003

#### INDUSTRY GROUPS

Biotechnology  
Chemistry  
Medical Devices  
Pharmaceuticals

#### SERVICES

Patent  
Trademark  
IP Enforcement & Litigation

#### BAR ADMISSIONS

Arizona  
Washington  
United States Patent  
and Trademark Office

#### COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. Court of Appeals for the  
Ninth Circuit  
U.S. District Court for the  
District of Arizona

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**PUBLICATIONS**

Shewmake, T.A., Solis, F.J., Gillies, R.J., Caplan, M.R. Effects of Linker Length and Flexibility on Multivalent Targeting, *Biomacromolecules* 9(11): 3057–3064, 2008.