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Annie Tipps is an attorney in the firm's Nashville office where she concentrates her practice on counseling clients in intellectual property matters involving trademarks, copyrights, and licenses. Annie also has experience in the areas of intellectual property litigation as well as business and commercial litigation with a focus on defending financial institutions in consumer litigation. She is a member of the Intellectual Property and Technology Service Group.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Business Litigation
- Copyrights
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Licensing
- Litigation & Appeals
- Trademarks

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

- Prosecuting trademark and copyright registration applications for clients across various industries, including the technology, consumer products, beauty, financial services, and transportation industries.
- Defending multiple national financial institutions and mortgage companies in the Tennessee state and federal courts, including arguing before the Tennessee Court of Appeals, against claims such as wrongful foreclosure, fraud, and violations of the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act, Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, and Truth in Lending Act.
- Litigating trademark opposition and cancellation proceedings for clients across various industries.
- Negotiating and drafting licenses, assignments, and other agreements.
- Substantial experience with motion practice in Tennessee Circuit and Chancery Courts.
- Substantial experience practicing before Tennessee General Sessions Courts.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Tennessee

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- GUEST COMMENT: What businesses need to look for with Covid-19 liability
Louisville Business First, August 14, 2020
- Tennessee Supreme Court Upholds \$750,000 Statutory Cap on Non-Economic Damages in Civil Cases with *Lauren Paxton Roberts* Stites & Harbison Client Alert, March 4, 2020

FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Nashville Office Recruiting Committee, Member

MEMBERSHIPS

- International Association of Privacy Professionals
- American Intellectual Property Association
- American Bar Association
- Tennessee Bar Association
- Nashville Bar Association
- Lawyers Association for Women

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Ten Thousand Villages, Board of Directors
- Junior League of Nashville - Preston Taylor Ministries Committee
- Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of Middle Tennessee, Young Professionals Leadership Council
- Nashville Junior Chamber of Commerce, Alumna

EDUCATION

University of Tennessee College of Law J.D. 2014

- *Tennessee Law Review*, Executive Editor
- Silver Pen Award for Exemplary Case Note
- Judge Harry W. Laughlin, Jr. Best Case Note Award
- "Constitutional Law - Fourth Amendment Search and Seizure - Government Surveillance, Developing Technology, and Constitutional Protection [*United States v. Jones*, 132 S. Ct. 945 (2012)]," **80 Tenn. L. Rev. 211** (2012)
- Student Attorney, UT Advocacy Clinic

Wake Forest University B.A., Political Science *cum laude* Minor in Classical Studies, 2011

- Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority
- Eta Sigma Phi, Classics Honor Society
- Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honor Society
- Summer Management Program, 2010
- Semester Abroad: New York University, La Pietra Campus, Florence, Italy, 2009

MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

Annie joined Stites & Harbison in 2014 after participating in the firm's Summer Associate Program in 2013. During law school, Annie interned for the Honorable Magistrate Judge John S. Bryant, Middle District of Tennessee, and also in-house at a large telecommunications corporation. She graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Law, where she served as Executive Editor of the *Tennessee Law Review* and as a student attorney for the UT Advocacy Clinic.

As a Nashville native, Annie is happy to be able to work in the city that she loves. She enjoys traveling, fishing, watching live music, playing tennis, attending church activities, and spending time with family and friends. As often as she can, Annie tries to take advantage of Nashville's growing food scene and is always looking for a reason to be outdoors.

ACCOLADES

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Ones To Watch, Commercial Litigation (2021-22)
- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Ones To Watch, Torts & Insurance (2020-21)