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Bio

Deanna Tanner Okun is the managing partner at AMS TRADE LLP. Deanna is an international trade lawyer providing legal and strategic international trade policy advice to steer companies through the intersection where innovation confronts barriers, such as intellectual property theft, unfair trade practices, or regulatory hurdles.

Deanna's practice involves all aspects of unfair trade litigation and trade remedy advocacy. Her Section 337 work includes all stages of litigation at the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) from pre-institution consultation to post-remedy enforcement with Customs and Border Protection (CBP). She also represents companies in Title VII antidumping and countervailing duty investigations before the ITC and Department of Commerce (DOC). In 2017, her client secured the first negative preliminary AD/CVD determination in over seven years. Deanna's work in trade remedy proceedings on behalf of U.S. companies extends to previously rarely-used trade statutes, including Section 201, 232, and 301 investigations. Deanna participated in one of only two Section 201 investigations in the past twenty years, winning a successful remedy for her client. She works closely with contacts in the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of the government to create innovative solutions to her clients' legal and business challenges.

Deanna has extensive experience as a top administrator, regulator, enforcer, legislative aide, and lawyer. She served two terms as Chairman during her twelve years of service as a member of the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC). During her tenure as a Commissioner, she ruled on hundreds of cases involving allegations of patent, trademark and copyright infringement as well as other types of unfair acts such as trade secrets. As Commissioner, she was involved in numerous antidumping and countervailing duty investigations and participated in almost all of the recent global safeguard investigations under the Trade Act of 1974, including investigations under Section 201 and the China-specific safeguard investigations under Section 421. Prior to her appointment to the ITC, she served as counsel for international affairs to U.S. Senator Frank Murkowski, Chairman of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee and senior member of the Finance and Foreign Relations Committees, and practiced international trade law with a large DC-based law firm. During her tenure at the ITC, Deanna was nominated to be Deputy United States Trade Representative.

In 2012, Deanna was named the Outstanding Woman of the Year by the Association of Women in International Trade, a chapter of the Organization of Women in International Trade. She has served on the Federal Circuit Advisory Council since 2013. In 2019, for the seventh consecutive year, Managing Intellectual Property named Deanna one of the Top 250 Women in IP. Deanna is also on the 2021-2022 USMCA Binational Panel Roster.



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Education

- Duke University School of Law, J.D., *with honors*
- Executive Editor, *Alaska Law Review*
- Utah State University, B.A., *magna cum laude*

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Pennsylvania (Inactive)
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Memberships

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- American Bar Association
- Customs and International Trade Bar Association (Board Member and Co-Chair, International Trade Committee)
- Federal Circuit Advisory Council

- Federal Circuit Bar Association
- ITC Trial Lawyers Association
- 2021-2022 Roster for USMCA Binational Panels (U.S.)
- Trade Policy Forum
- Washington International Trade Association
- The Association of Women in International Trade (WIIT)

News & Insights

Okun and Pardini appointed again to the USMCA Binational Panel Roster

Deanna Okun Featured at Hudson Institute Virtual Event

Okun and Peterson deliver keynote at Joint USCIB/ICC Meeting

AMS Trade Most Active Overall Section 337 firm in the Country

Deanna Tanner Okun featured at 2022 Leadership Conference

CSPC Virtual Event to feature AMS Trade Managing Partner Deanna Tanner Okun

Deanna Tanner Okun to moderate WITA panel on the Korea-US Trade Agreement

Celebrate International Women's Day with us at AMS Trade!

Okun featured in Indiana University Public Policy Institute's virtual Manufacturing Policy Initiative discussion series.

Mastriani and Okun to Present at 13th Annual Practitioners' Think Tank on ITC Litigation and Enforcement

Lou Mastriani and Deanna Tanner Okun will be speaking at ACI's 13th Annual Practitioners' Think Tank on ITC Litigation and Enforcement which takes place July 27-28, 2021.

Okun Named to MIP's Top 250 Women in IP for 2021

Deanna Tanner Okun has been named to Managing IP's Top 250 Women in IP list for 2021. This is the ninth consecutive year she has received this honor.

IP Stars Rank AMS in Tier 1 for 2021 ITC Litigation

Managing Intellectual Property (MIP) IP Stars has published its highly anticipated 2021 rankings. Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP is proud to be recognized once again as a Tier 1 firm for ITC litigation.

Okun to Participate on 2021 FCBA Bench and Bar Panel

Deanna Tanner Okun will be a panelist at the 2021 FCBA's Bench and Bar virtual conference. She will be part of the Section 337 Developments panel on June 24th at 4:00 pm ET.

The Legal 500 Ranks AMS Tier 1 for 2021

The Legal 500 released its rankings for 2021 and share that Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP offers "an impressive range of technical expertise" and "boasts an unparalleled track record in successfully fought ITC investigations."

AMS Attorneys Ranked in Chambers USA 2021

Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP (AMS) has been ranked by *Chambers and Partners* in its 2021 rankings.

Okun to Moderate Panel at CITBA Spring Annual Meeting 2021

Deanna Tanner Okun, international trade attorney and co-chair of the Customs and International Trade Bar Association ("CITBA") International Trade Committee, will moderate a Q&A panel with U.S. Trade Representative ("USTR") General Counsel Greta Peisch at the 2021 CITBA virtual Spring Annual Meeting.

In Law 360: AMS Helps Secure \$1.8B Settlement for LG

Law360 published an article addressing the recent \$1.8 billion dollar settlement between SK Innovation and LG Energy in the trade secret investigation at the ITC involving lithium ion batteries.

Okun to Moderate 2021 CITBA Virtual Winter Luncheon 2021

Deanna Tanner Okun will moderate the 2021 CITBA Virtual Winter Luncheon. The panel will focus on recent developments related to trade with Vietnam as the new administration takes office.

Trade Policy Under the Biden Administration: Five Big Issues We're Watching

With one day until President-Elect Biden takes office, major questions remain about how the incoming Administration will approach ongoing trade conflicts and duties imposed by the Trump Administration. This blog article discusses five issues AMS is keeping an eye on right now.

Okun to be American University IP Symposium Panelist

Managing partner of AMS, Deanna Tanner Okun, will be a speaker at the *American University Business Law Review's* November 13th symposium, *Don't Tread on My IP: The Role of Domestic and Foreign Actors in Shaping Intellectual Property Law*.

Okun to Speak on Duke Alumni Panel

Deanna Tanner Okun will be a speaker on the "Duke Law Goes to Washington, D.C." panel on Tuesday, October 20 from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Fruit of the Poisonous Tree: The Absence of Senate-Confirmed Leadership at DHS and CBP Could Implicate Enforcement of International Trade Laws

AMS attorneys Garcia and Pardini write about how the absence of senate-confirmed leadership at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Customs and Border Protection could implicate enforcement of international trade laws.

Okun to Speak at Webinar on Economic Impact of Patent Licensing

Deanna Okun will be part of a webinar panel called, "Increasing the Visibility of Licensing's Economic Impact and Addressing the Challenges in Cross-Border Licensing".

Okun to be ITC Panelist for the Virtual Intensive Trade Seminar

Deanna Tanner Okun is on the International Trade Commission panel of the four-part Virtual Intensive Trade Seminar put on by the Washington International Trade Association (WITA), the Institute for International Economic Policy at George Washington University, and the World Trade Center DC.

Significant Changes Impacting U.S.-Hong Kong Trade

In this blog article, Lydia C. Pardini writes about the significant changes impacting U.S.-Hong Kong trade.

Okun to Moderate Panel on Aluminum Imports and Tariffs

Deanna Tanner Okun is moderating a virtual webinar panel on Aluminum Imports and Tariffs, hosted by the Washington International Trade Association (WITA).

USTR Lighthizer Shines Light on USMCA Enforcement, Tariffs, and China

USTR Robert Lighthizer testified before the House Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committees on June 17, 2020 to discuss the Trump Administration's trade agenda.

Commission Opinion Implicates Public Interest Strategy

In view of *Certain Microfluidic Devices*, practitioners cannot assume they can safely wait until Commission review to prove their public interest case, and they must tailor their strategy accordingly.

Okun named to MIP's Top 250 Women in IP

Deanna Tanner Okun was named to the top 250 Women in IP list for the eighth consecutive year.

Okun Interviewed About Government Leaders Transitioning to Private Practice

Deanna Tanner Okun was interviewed by Rani Mehta from Managing IP for an article on government leaders who transitioned to private practice law.

AMS Attorneys Ranked in Chambers USA 2020

Chambers has released their 2020 rankings and Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP (AMS) is honored to be the firm with the most attorneys ranked in the Section 337 practice area.

Okun to Moderate CITBA Panel on Remote Agencies & Work

Deanna Tanner Okun, managing partner of Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP, will be moderating a Customs and International Trade Bar Association (CITBA) panel on Tuesday, April 28, entitled, "Remote Agencies and Remote Work Places – How to Navigate the New Normal at the ITC and DOC."

AMS Attorneys Ranked in 2020 Super Lawyers

Six attorneys of Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP (AMS) were proudly ranked by Super Lawyers as top-rated attorneys in Washington, DC.

Okun Interviewed for Law360's Law Firm Leaders Series

Deanna Tanner Okun, former two-term chair of the International Trade Commission (ITC) and newly appointed managing partner at Adduci Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP (AMS), was recently interviewed by Aebera Coe for Law360's Law Firm Leaders series.

Encore Wins at the ITC

ITC Determines US Industry Injured by Aluminum Wire and Cable from China

Adduci Mastriani & Schaumberg Selects New Managing Partner

Adduci Mastriani & Schaumberg LLP (AMS) announces the selection of a new managing partner beginning in 2020 – the first change in leadership since its founding in 1981.

Deanna Tanner Okun to be Panelist at CIT Conference

Deanna Tanner Okun will be a panelist at the US Court of International Trade's 20th Judicial Conference on November 18, 2019.

Deanna Tanner Okun to Keynote at IP Value Summit

Deanna Tanner Okun will be the opening keynote speaker at the Duff & Phelps sixth annual IP Value Summit in California on October 15, 2019.

2018 Rankings Released

AMS is honored to be ranked in the top tier in Section 337 practice by Chambers USA.

MIP's 2018 Top 250 Women in IP

For the sixth consecutive year, AMS attorney Deanna Tanner Okun was named in Managing Intellectual Property's Top 250 Women in IP.

LeadersHIP 2018

Deanna Tanner Okun will participate in a panel on Antitrust issues at the LeadersHIP 2018 conference.

Defending Intellectual Property: Is Section 337 the Right Answer?

On March 28, AMS attorneys Tom Schaumberg and Deanna Tanner Okun will participate in a panel discussion at the Center for Strategic and International Studies on the role of Section 337 in defending intellectual property rights.

ITC Litigation & Enforcement

AMS is proud to sponsor the American Conference Institute's 10th Expert Forum on ITC Litigation & Enforcement.

Safeguards Win for Whirlpool

AMS attorney Deanna Tanner Okun successfully represented Whirlpool Corporation in a safeguards petition regarding large residential washers.

A Centennial History of the United States International Trade Commission

To mark its first 100 years, the Commission has published A Centennial History of the United States International Trade Commission.

Business Alignment Personified: Deanna Tanner Okun

Corporate Counsel's Sue Reisinger recently interviewed Mark Chandler, senior vice president, general counsel, and chief compliance officer of Cisco Systems Inc. on the topic of business alignment and how he chooses outside counsel.

Trade Secret Theft Occurring Overseas

AMS is pleased to co-host a conference with Merchant & Gould.

The Perryman Company Secures First Negative Preliminary AD/CVD Vote Since 2009

The Perryman Company, represented by AMS attorneys Deanna Tanner Okun, Elizabeth Duall Regard, and Rowan M. Dougherty, secured the first negative preliminary AD/CVD vote at the ITC since 2009.

Deanna Tanner Okun Named in IP Stars' Top 250 Women in IP 2017

Managing Intellectual Property has named Deanna Tanner Okun in IP Stars' Top 250 Women in IP for the fifth consecutive year.

Tom Schaumberg and Deanna Tanner Okun to Present at LES 2017 Spring Meeting

AMS attorneys Tom M. Schaumberg and Deanna Tanner Okun will be speaking at the Licensing Executives Society 2017 Spring Meeting.

2017 Legal Rankings Released

AMS ranked in the top tier in Section 337 practice by Chambers USA , The Legal 500 , and Managing Intellectual Property's IP Stars.

Deanna Tanner Okun on MSNBC

AMS attorney Deanna Tanner Okun appeared on MSNBC on Thursday, April 6, 2017.

Deanna Tanner Okun to Speak at Leadership 2017

AMS attorney Deanna Tanner Okun will present on "IP Policy in the New Administration" at the Leadership 2017 Conference at the Newseum on March 27, 2017.

In The Hill: "US Must Bolster Fight with China over Intellectual Property Rights"

On March 10, 2017, Deanna Tanner Okun published an opinion piece in The Hill entitled "US Must Bolster Fight with China over Intellectual Property Rights".

Lou Mastriani & Deanna Tanner Okun to Speak at 9th Expert Forum on ITC Litigation and Enforcement

AMS attorneys Lou Mastriani and Deanna Tanner Okun will present at the American Conference Institute's 9th Expert Forum on ITC Litigation & Enforcement.

Trade and Trade Agreements: Europe, UK, and US

On October 14, Deanna Tanner Okun will moderate a panel on Trade and Trade Agreements at the Federal Circuit Bar Association Global Series Europe 2016 conference. The focus of this year's conference is Innovation, Intellectual Property, Trade: Finding a Clear Path.

Section 337 and the ITC – At the Leading Edge of Global IP Trade Concerns

On June 24, Deanna Tanner Okun will participate in a panel entitled "Section 337 and the International Trade Commission – At the Leading Edge of Global IP Trade Concerns" at the FCBA Bench & Bar Annual Conference in Nashville, TN.

What are the Effects of the TPP?

Deanna Tanner Okun will moderate a panel hosted by the Federal Circuit Bar Association and the U.S. Chamber of

Commerce on May 13, 2016. The event is part of the Federal Circuit Bar Association's Global Series on Innovation and Trade.

Deanna Tanner Okun Named in IP Stars' 2016 Top 250 Women in IP

Managing Intellectual Property has named Deanna Tanner Okun in *IP Stars' Top 250 Women in IP* for the fifth consecutive year.

Judiciary Committee Hearing

Deanna Tanner Okun will testify on April 14 at a hearing on "International Trade Committee (ITC) Patent Litigation" before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet.

Protecting Your Inventions From Foreign Knockoffs

Deanna Tanner Okun attended the world-famous SXSW Conference in Austin, Texas, where she participated in a panel entitled "Protecting Your Inventions From Foreign Knockoffs."

Current Trends at the ITC

Deanna Tanner Okun participated in a panel on Current Trends at the ITC at the 2016 Georgetown University Law Center 37th Anniversary International Trade Update.

Section 337 Litigation at the ITC

The University of Akron School of Law recently hosted its Fourth Annual Naples Patent Experts Conference.

How do Recent Agency Actions, Court Decisions, and WTO Decisions Impact Lawyers and Companies Bringing Cases Under Title VII and Section 337 of the Trade Act?

Deanna Tanner Okun will moderate a Federal Circuit Bar Association townhall discussion on the topic "How do Recent Agency Actions, Court Decisions, and WTO Decisions Impact Lawyers and Companies Bringing Cases Under Title VII and Section 337 of the Trade Act?"

Legal 500 Tier I Rankings

Adduci, Mastriani & Schaumberg, LLP has "...one of the most robust ITC practices in the nation."

Commentary on Trade and Intellectual Property: Other Perspectives

Deanna Tanner Okun will be participating on a panel discussing "Commentary on Trade and Intellectual Property" on May 11, 2015.

In Corporate Counsel Magazine: "ITC Increasing Efficiency of Exclusion Order Proceedings"

Corporate Counsel magazine published an article by Deanna Tanner Okun, Paul M. Bartkowski, and Thomas R. Burns, Jr., entitled "ITC Increasing Efficiency of Exclusion Order Proceedings".

Smartphones and the Patent Battleground - Is Peace At Hand?

Deanna Tanner Okun moderates a panel on the smartphone wars at the ABA Intellectual Property Law Conference.

ITC Alumni Panel Q&A: the Inner Workings of the ITC and Common Misconceptions

Deanna Tanner Okun will participate on a panel discussing the inner workings of the ITC on February 24 at the American Conference Institute Forum on ITC Litigation and Enforcement.

Speech Innovation Nation: Intellectual Property and the Global Economy (November, 2014) has been created.

Deanna Tanner Okun will speak at Bloomberg Government's "Innovation Nation: Intellectual Property and the Global Economy"

The State of the Mobile Economy: Innovation, Investment and Economic Impact Around the World

On Wednesday, September 10, 2014, Deanna Tanner Okun will participate in a discussion of the state of the mobile economy at Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C.

Deanna Tanner Okun will participate in an Industry Leader Panel at the Center for the Protection of Intellectual Property Inaugural Summer Institute in Patent Law

On July 24, 2014, Deanna will participate in an industry leader panel on the topic "What We Wish Professors and Policy Analysts Knew About Patents and the Innovation Industries".

Best Practices - Innovation and Procurement and Trade at the Federal Circuit Bar Association and U.S. Chamber of Commerce Conference

On Friday, May 23, 2014, Deanna Tanner Okun will be moderating a panel entitled Best Practices - Innovation and Procurement and Trade at the Federal Circuit Bar Association and U.S. Chamber of Commerce Conference

Deanna Tanner Okun To Receive the USU Distinguished Service Award

Deanna Tanner Okun will receive the Utah State University 2014 Distinguished Service Award on March 7, 2014, in Logan, Utah.

In Roll Call: "Listen to the Factual Record on the ITC, Not the Broken One"

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Deanna Tanner Okun participates in a program sponsored by the Innovation Alliance on September 27, 2013

On September 27, 2013, Deanna Tanner Okun will participate in a program sponsored by the Innovation Alliance entitled Invention, IP and Jobs: The Economic and Innovation Role of the U.S. Patent System, at the Newseum in Washington, D.C.

Does the ITC Need eBay?

Deanna Tanner Okun and Evan Langdon argue that calls by the White House and Congress for tougher rules on exclusion order requests by patent assertion entities are unwarranted.

In National Law Journal: "ITC Can Take Steps To Enforce Its Own Exclusion Orders"

Deanna Tanner Okun and Jonathan J. Engler have written an article published by the National Law Journal regarding the White House Task Force on High-Tech Patent Issues released on June 4, 2013.

In Politico: "White House Adds Muscle to Patent Reform Push"

Deanna Tanner Okun Quoted in Politico Article

Duke Law Institute

Duke Law Center for Judicial Studies , in Durham, North Carolina, in association with the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), hosts the Patent Law Institute from May 13-17, 2013.

International Trade Commission Trial Lawyers Association and the Federal Circuit Bar Association Joint Spring Program

On May 15, 2013, the International Trade Commission Trial Lawyers Association and the Federal Circuit Bar Association will host a joint Spring Meeting in Washington, D.C.

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Innovation and Global Trade, Harnessing Opportunities and Overcoming Challenges

On May 9, 2013, Deanna Tanner Okun will present Innovation and Global Trade, Harnessing Opportunities and Overcoming Challenges at the National Economists Club Luncheon.

Hot Topics at the U.S. International Trade Commission

The American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), hosts its Annual Spring Meeting at the Westin Seattle Hotel,

Seattle, Washington from May 1-3, 2013.

Deanna Tanner Okun testifies before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet.

Former U.S. International Trade Commission Chairman Deanna Tanner Okun was a witness during the live hearing on ***“Abusive Patent Litigation: The Issues Impacting American Competitiveness and Job Creation at the International Trade Commission and Beyond”*** before the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property and the Internet in the Rayburn House Office Building.

Smartphones and the Patent Battleground

The American Bar Association (ABA) Section of Intellectual Property Law hosts the 28th Annual Intellectual Property Law Conference International Trade Update from April 3-5, 2013 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel, Arlington, Virginia.

Patent Licensing and the U.S. International Trade Commission

Former Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC), Deanna Tanner Okun , participates in the Washington Legal Foundation’s CONVERSATIONS.

2012 United States International Trade Commission, Year In Review

Georgetown University Law Center in Washington, D.C. hosts the 2013 International Trade Update from February 28-March 1, 2013.

Inside the Political Debate Concerning the Changing Face of ITC Litigation

The American Conference Institute (“ACI”) hosts its 5th Expert Forum on ITC Litigation & Enforcement at the Washington Hilton, Washington, D.C. on February 25-27, 2013.

Business Leadership Week

The McCoy College of Business Administration at Texas State University, San Marcos, Texas, welcomes Deanna Tanner Okun as the Keynote Speaker for its 2013 Business Leadership Week, February 4-7, 2013.

In Law360: "ITC Focuses on the Facts, Not the Hype"

Former ITC Commissioner Deanna Tanner Okun’s article entitled " ITC Focuses on the Facts not the Hype " challenges the erroneous assumption that the U.S. International Trade Commission is an easier forum for non-practicing entities (NPEs) to obtain relief.