

Chad Ray Joins Munck Wilson Mandala

Litigation attorney Chad J. Ray has joined **Munck Wilson Mandala** as a senior associate.

Ray has a background in chemistry and represents clients in a variety of complex commercial litigation matters, particularly patent litigation matters, spanning electronics, automotive, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, biologics and medical devices.

In a release, the firm said Ray, a trial lawyer and registered patent attorney, Ray has experience with both jury and bench trials, on appeal to the Federal Circuit and United States Supreme Court, as well as in proceedings before the U.S. Patent Office's Patent Trial and Appeals Board. Ray also has experience providing pro bono criminal defense representation with notable successes helping individuals charged with serious felonies, including first degree murder and armed robbery.

Prior to his legal career, Ray earned a B.S. in chemistry, magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa, from the University of New Mexico. He then earned a Ph.D. from Duke University for physical chemistry research, developing and applying nanotechnology methods for the study of complex biological molecule interactions. As an undergraduate and graduate chemistry student, Ray received numerous accolades and awards for his research, teaching and community service. He continued his research as a postdoctoral research associate at the University of Pittsburgh prior to law school.

Ray received his J.D., cum laude from the University of Michigan Law School where he was submission editor for the Michigan Telecommunications and Technology Review. Ray previously practiced law at Jenner and Block, LLP, in Chicago,

Illinois. He is a Trial Bar member of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and maintains a license to practice law in both Illinois and Texas.