



Shareholder Stephen Thomas Appointed Chair of the Florida Tech College of Business Advisory Board

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Stephen C. Thomas

Orlando, FL – Lowndes is pleased to announce that Shareholder **Stephen C. Thomas** has been appointed chair of the Florida Tech College of Business Advisory Board. The board plays an active role in support of the college's values, vision and goals and provides a structure for students, alumni and community engagement in the College of Business activities and events.

A registered U.S. patent attorney and former engineer and program manager, Thomas works in the firm's Intellectual Property Group. In this role, Thomas advises businesses and university clients, many of whom have both domestic US and global IP portfolios, in a variety of markets. He provides his clients with a full spectrum of guidance regarding IP licensing and royalty strategy, technology law, IP acquisition strategies, IP enforcement and litigation, Federal Trade Commission (FTC) compliance, building and maintaining an enforceable IP asset portfolio, teaming/ partnering strategies for global product roll-out, time-phased product and software development, joint ventures, agreements for engineering services, subcontractor management, supply chain management and related matters. Thomas remains engaged in prosecuting numerous patent and trademark applications before the USPTO and actively manages foreign patent and trademark filings in numerous foreign jurisdictions including jurisdictions in North America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America. Thomas has defended and challenged patents under the new Inter Partes Review (IPR) rules at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) as well as challenged and defended trademarks at the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB).