

Kevin H. Rhodes Biography

Kevin Rhodes is a Vice President and the Chief Intellectual Property Counsel of 3M Company, and the President and Chief Intellectual Property Counsel of 3M Innovative Properties Company in St. Paul, Minnesota, where he is responsible for managing the global intellectual property assets of 3M Company and its worldwide affiliates.



Mr. Rhodes currently serves as the President of the Intellectual Property Owner's Association. He also is a member of the Board of Directors of the Intellectual Property Owner's Association Education Foundation and the Executive Committee of the Association of Corporate Patent Counsel. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the American Intellectual Property Law Association.

Mr. Rhodes serves on the Steering Committee of the Coalition for 21st Century Patent Reform and he has testified before Congress and administrative agencies, and has spoken widely, on issues of intellectual property law and policy.

Prior to joining 3M in 2001, Mr. Rhodes was a partner at Kirkland & Ellis in Chicago, where he specialized in intellectual property litigation.

Mr. Rhodes received his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Northwestern University. He is a registered patent attorney, with an undergraduate degree from Grinnell College.