

Nixon Peabody adds partner to lead Fintech & Financial Services IP team

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Washington, DC. As the evolution of financial services technology drives an increase in intellectual property (IP) portfolio protection, enforcement, defense, and commercialization in the sector, Nixon Peabody LLP has added partner **James A. Cooke** to lead its recently established **Fintech & Financial Services IP team**.

Jamie focuses his practice on patent portfolio management on behalf of financial institutions and entities within the financial services industry, with particular emphasis on the protection of disruptive technologies related to machine learning and artificial intelligence, blockchain, smart contracts, post-quantum cryptographic algorithms, and cryptocurrency.

“Jamie blends extensive experience across patent, trademark, and copyright legal services; deep knowledge of the technologies developed and implemented in the financial services industry; and market insight gained working alongside renowned financial institutions, their premier technology providers, and entrepreneurs looking to redefine this space,” said Nixon Peabody partner **Seth Levy**, leader of the firm’s **Intellectual Property practice**. “This ability to understand the nuances of the industry in which an entity is operating and then provide interdisciplinary legal solutions to help achieve short- and long-term goals is exactly the kind of strategic guidance clients require from their intellectual property counsel.”

Based in the firm’s **Washington, DC office**, Jamie has also counseled financial services leaders through complex matters involving electronic trading platforms, mobile applications, content management and delivery systems, and Internet-of-Things (IoT) technologies. He earned his JD from Georgetown University Law Center, holds a PhD from Yale University in Mechanical Engineering, and received his BS from the University of Maryland, *cum laude*.