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BIOGRAPHY

Kristin G. Garris is a member of Scarinci Hollenbeck's Intellectual Property practice group who has a broad range of experience in handling matters related to Trademark, Copyright, Internet, and Domain name enforcement and Litigation.

Ms. Garris provides counsel to clients for numerous Intellectual Property issues including IP ownership and protection, branding procedures and management, copyright protection, licensing, domain names, privacy policies and website terms of use, IP-related risk management, IP due diligence, data privacy regulations, and much more. She also has significant experience with trademark proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Ms. Garris has created and implemented comprehensive trademark and copyright policing and enforcement programs for both U.S.-focused and international clients. Ms. Garris regularly advises clients on the clearance of trademarks, protection and registration strategies for trademarks and copyrights, enforcement goals and business-friendly enforcement methods, the purchase and sale of IP (trademarks, copyrights, domain names, social media handles), IP monetization, and IP considerations for employment agreements, asset purchase agreements, master services agreements, and non-disclosure agreements. She also advises clients on IP enforcement online and in connection with social media platforms.

Ms. Garris also regularly provides significant pro bono volunteer work and has been honored with three awards for her service in connection with organizations such as Start Small Think Big, Inc. and Her Justice, Inc. She is involved with the New York State Bar Association's Entertainment, Arts, and Sports Law Section (Fashion Law Committee) and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York (Copyright and Literary Property Committee), and is a member of the International Trademark Association (INTA) and the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP).

Ms. Garris received her undergraduate degree from Davidson College in Davidson, North Carolina where she majored in Religion. Ms. Garris received her Master's degree in Religious Studies from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, Virginia, and her Juris Doctor from the Wake Forest University School of Law in Winston-Salem, North Carolina.

PRO BONO

- **Pro Bono Trademark Clinic Coordinator** for Start Small Think Big, Inc.'s partnership with Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton (2015-2017)

EDUCATION

- Wake Forest University School of Law (J.D. 2008)
- University of Virginia (B.A. 1996)
- Davidson College (B.A., 1994)

ADMISSIONS

- New York
- North Carolina
- U.S. Supreme Court
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of North Carolina

MEMBERSHIPS

- Association of the Bar of the City of New York
 - Copyright & Literary Property Committee
- U.S. Supreme Court
- New York State Bar Association
 - Commercial and Federal Litigation Section
 - Entertainment, Arts & Sports Law Section, Fashion Law Committee Co-Chair
 - Intellectual Property Section
- International Trademark Association
- International Association of Privacy Professionals