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EDUCATION

University of Illinois College of Law J.D. (cum laude) 2019

North Central College Computer Science B.S. (magna cum laude) 2016

INDUSTRIES

Al, Machine Learning & Robotics Software & Internet

PRACTICES

Patent

BAR ADMISSIONS

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Bilal H. Adra

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BACKGROUND

Bilal focuses his practice on patent preparation and prosecution of software and internet technology matters. He received his B.S. (magna cum laude) in Computer Science from North Central College (2016), and his J.D. (cum laude) from University of Illinois College of Law (2019). While attending University of Illinois College of Law, Bilal received the Joseph M. Barich Excellence in Patent Law Award and the Rickert Award for Excellence in Legal Writing, both in 2019.

HONORS AND AWARDS

• Listed in The Best Lawyers in America® Ones to Watch, 2025-2026

EXPERIENCE

Prior to joining Seed IP, Bilal served for 4 years as a software developer at CreateASoft, Inc, in Aurora, IL, where he designed, developed, and implemented a cryptography and web-based system for managing, assigning, maintaining, and verifying software licenses. He also developed software to monitor RFID readers and to log RFID tags into a database for real-time tracking of equipment and products.

Bilal has also served as a law clerk and summer associate at several law firms in Illinois, working on numerous patent prosecution and intellectual property litigation matters.

AFFILIATIONS

Bilal is admitted to the state bars of Washington and Illinois, and is registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. He is a member of the Washington State Patent Law Association (WSPLA).