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## Stephen Zralek Honored with President's Award at IADC Annual Meeting

Spencer Fane partner <u>Stephen Zralek</u> received the 2023 President's Award at the International Association of Defense Counsel (IADC)'s Annual Meeting on July 10 in "recognition of his invaluable contributions to the advancement of IADC's wildly important goals through increasing engagement and membership." He was the sole recipient of this prestigious award.

Outgoing IADC President Mark Beebe presented the award, sharing why he felt privileged to present the award to Stephen. "[The award's description] does not fully capture Stephen's contributions this past year," he said. "Not only did Stephen lead in nominations of new members, but he brought incredible energy and enthusiasm to the Intellectual Property Committee as Chair, including planning and providing exceptional substantive presentations and programs and conducting joint committee meetings. He was an exemplar of leadership in fulfilling the IADC's strategic initiatives."

The IADC is the preeminent legal organization for superior advocates representing corporate interests throughout the world. Founded in 1920, the IADC is an invitation-only organization. The organization strives to serve and benefit its members, the legal profession, and the civil justice system by enhancing the development of skills, professionalism, diversity, and camaraderie in the practice of law.

At Spencer Fane, Stephen helps clients resolve intellectual property and business disputes in federal and state courts, arbitration, and mediation. Clients seek Stephen's advice due to his experience in the courtroom, creative problem-solving, tenacity, and engaging approach.