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## **Intellectual Ventures Takes Action to Enforce its Invention Rights**

*Intellectual Ventures files three separate patent infringement complaints against nine companies*

**BELLEVUE, Wash. — December 8, 2010** — Today Intellectual Ventures (“IV”) enforced its rights and filed patent infringement complaints in the U.S. District Court of Delaware against companies in the software security; dynamic random access memory (DRAM) and Flash memory; and field-programmable gate array (FPGA) industries.

“Over the years, Intellectual Ventures has successfully negotiated license agreements with some of the top technology companies in the world. However, some companies have chosen to ignore our requests for good faith negotiations and discussions,” stated Melissa A. Finocchio, Chief Litigation Counsel, Intellectual Ventures. “Protecting our invention rights through these actions is the right choice for our investors, inventors and current licensees.”

The complaints were filed against the following companies:

### **In the software security industry:**

- Check Point Software Technologies, Ltd.
- McAfee, Inc.
- Symantec Corporation
- Trend Micro Incorporated

Lead attorney for this action: Parker Folse of Susman Godfrey LLP in Seattle

[View the full complaint here.](#)

### **In the DRAM and Flash memory industry:**

- Elpida Memory, Inc.
- Hynix Semiconductor, Inc.

Lead attorney for this action: Jared Bobrow of Weil, Gotshal, & Manges, LLP in Redwood Shores, Calif.

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### **In the FPGA industry:**

- Altera Corporation
- Lattice Semiconductor Corporation
- Microsemi Corporation, who recently acquired Actel Corporation and its FPGA business

Lead attorney for this action: John Desmarais of Desmarais, LLP in New York

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Joe Farnan of Farnan Law, LLP is Intellectual Ventures’ Delaware counsel in all three actions.

## **About Intellectual Ventures**

Founded in 2000, Intellectual Ventures (IV) is the global leader in the business of invention. IV collaborates with leading inventors, partners with pioneering companies, and invests both expertise and capital in the process of invention. IV's mission is to energize and streamline an invention economy that will drive innovation around the world.

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