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Top Thirty Patent Law Programs (Ranked by Patently-O Hits!)

What follows is a somewhat egocentric post, but still interesting. A ranking of the top thirty law school patent programs based solely on the number of Patently-O visits received from the associated university in the calendar year 2007. In theory, the number of hits has some correlation with the intensity of interest in patent law issues at the particular school. Of course, university computers represent only a small portion of the 2.8 million total hits received in 2007.

Rank	School
1	The George Washington University
2	University of Texas at Austin
3	DePaul University
4	Columbia University
5	University of Virginia
6	University of California at Berkeley
7	Harvard University
8	University of Tennessee
9	Cornell University
10	Boston University
11	Georgetown University
12	New York University
13	University of Houston
14	Stanford University
15	University of Missouri-Columbia
16	Washington University
17	University of Chicago
18	University of Iowa
19	Indiana University-Purdue University at Ir
20	Suffolk University

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21	George Mason University
22	University of Richmond
23	University of Washington
24	Northwestern University
25	American University
26	Indiana University
27	University of Michigan
28	Santa Clara University
29	Ohio State University
30	University of Minnesota

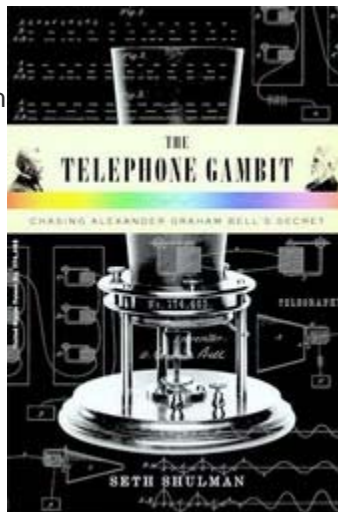
There are many issues with this study. Here are a few: First, law school rankings are generally quite silly. Second, some schools may not use their name in their IP address — making them lose their ranking. This appears to be true of Franklin Pierce Law Center. Schools where students (and professors) primarily study away from campus building may also rank relatively lower. Fourth, many of these hits come from the Technology Transfer office rather than the law school.

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