

Biography of Jay Monahan

Jay Monahan is Vice President and General Counsel of Palo Alto, California-based, Vuze, Inc., which distributes Vuze (www.vuze.com), the leading open platform for delivery of high-resolution digital entertainment. Prior to joining Vuze, he was Vice President and Deputy General Counsel, Intellectual Property, for eBay Inc., the world's largest online marketplace. A member of the eBay Legal Department from 1999 to 2007, Jay managed litigation and intellectual property matters for the eBay companies, was the architect of eBay's worldwide copyright compliance program (VeRO Program), and assisted in the development of countless product features and marketplace policies. He also managed eBay's patent portfolio, and led the team that won the eBay vs. MercExchange case in the United States Supreme Court in 2006.

Prior to eBay, Jay was Vice President, Worldwide Anti-Piracy for Walt Disney Pictures & Television (1993-99), where he managed anti-piracy activities relating to all forms of Disney filmed entertainment. He also spent five years as a high technology litigator with firms based in Palo Alto and Los Angeles.

Jay is a 1987 graduate of the University of California, Hastings College of the Law, where he was Editor-in-Chief of Comm/Ent, The Hasting Journal of Communications and Entertainment Law. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 1981 from the University of California at Berkeley.

Jay has taught law and business school classes at Stanford University, the University of California, Berkeley, Santa Clara University, Pepperdine University, and The University of LaVerne, and is a frequent speaker on matters relating to Internet law, intellectual property, litigation and law department management.