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Lyle Vander Schaaf is the managing partner of the Washington, D.C. office of Brinks Gilson & Lione. He has an active practice in investigations before the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) and their parallel proceedings in Federal Court. Mr. Vander Schaaf regularly appears before the ITC in intellectual property Section 337 investigations and other international trade investigations.

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