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Shane has degrees from both Trinity College (BSc Computer Science) and University College Dublin (BCL). He is a regular guest lecturer on computer law and intellectual property for both universities and is frequently invited to speak at international conferences, business seminars and workshops.

He most recently co-authored the third edition of the leading Irish legal textbook on intellectual property, "Intellectual Property Law in Ireland" (Clark, Smyth & Hall, 3rd edition, Bloomsbury Professional, 2010).

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