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Mr. Ihnen's practice includes patent application preparation and U.S. and foreign prosecution. He provides counseling to clients on development and implementation of patent strategies, technology transfer, research and development agreements, infringement and validity issues and market clearance of products, and he has performed technology audits. His practice focuses on the fields of biotechnology and chemistry, including genes, proteins, neuropeptides, antibodies, steroids, diagnostics, molecular biology, immunology, virology, biochemistry, pharmaceuticals, medical therapies, plants, cell culture and organic chemistry. In addition, he has experience in *ex parte* trademark matters.

Mr. Ihnen has been an invited speaker on biotechnology, plant proprietary rights and genomic and research tool patents at U.S. and international conferences and was a contractor with the Office of Technology Assessment for its New Developments in Biotechnology: Patenting Life, 1989.

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Education:

- B.A. Chemistry from Wartburg College - 1973 (*cum laude*)
- B.A. Mathematics from Wartburg College - 1973 (*cum laude*)
- M.S. Biochemistry from University of Iowa - 1976
- J.D. from George Washington University Law School - 1980

Bar Admissions:

- District of Columbia Bar
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Court Admissions:

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
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Publications:

- " A Patenting of Biotechnology: A Practical Approach," *Rutgers Computer & Technology Law Journal*, Vol. 11, No. 2, 1985
- " A Summary of Intellectual Property Protection for Plants," *Patent World*, 17 May 1987 issue
- " A Protecting Plant Germplasm: Alternatives to Patent and Plant Variety Protection," *Intellectual Property Rights Associated with Plants*, American Society of Agronomy Special Publication No. 52, 1989

- " A Patent Strategy for Genomic and Research Tool Patents: Are There Any Differences Between USA, Europe and Japan?," *Drug Discovery Today* 5(12):554-559 (2000)