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OVERVIEW

Andrew Storaska works with clients to develop durable patent protection and build broad IP portfolios for U.S. and worldwide coverage. He also works with clients to identify ways to enhance the scope and strength of their existing IP protection.

Andrew also plays a vital strategic role in patent protection for clients. On an ongoing basis, he assesses scientific literature, patents, and patent application documents in a variety of technology fields in order to assist with IP diligence for business development, licensing, and acquisitions. In concert with this, he also works with clients to review IP landscapes to identify third-party patents and patent applications for competitive intelligence and business strategy. He also assists clients with post-grant proceedings before the U.S. Patent Office’s Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB).

He works with scientists, engineers, and inventors to draft and prepare patent applications and manage the prosecution of patent applications through the USPTO. As part of broader global patent portfolio management, he coordinates worldwide prosecution with foreign associates so clients can attain strong patent protection across the globe.

A few examples of Andrew’s work: he will assist clients in responding to post-grant validity attacks on their patents. He’ll assist in reviewing and clearing the patent landscape so clients can bring their own inventions to markets with surety. This includes

Practices

- Counseling, Transactions, and Guidance
- Due Diligence
- Ex Parte* Reexaminations
- Inter Partes* Review (IPR) and Post Grant Review (PGR)
- Interferences
- International Filings
- Licensing and Transactions
- Opinions, Freedom to Operate, and Patentability Analysis
- Patent and Trademark Office Proceedings
- Patent Prosecution
- Patent Strategy and Counseling
- Portfolio Management
- Prosecution

Education

- J.D., George Mason University Antonin Scalia Law School
- Ph.D., Pharmacology, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- B.S., Cell Biology & Molecular

assisting clients with employing post-grant patent review procedures.

His clients include pharmaceutical, biotechnology, chemical companies, device manufacturers, and companies involved in building and industrial applications.

His capabilities are augmented by extensive experience as a working scientist. Following receipt of a B.S. in cell biology and molecular genetics and a doctorate in Pharmacology, he conducted research as a post-doctoral fellow investigating the molecular connections between oncogenic signaling pathways and stem cell transcriptional networks in brain tumor stem cells. As a part of this work he evaluated FDA-approved small molecule drugs for new therapeutic applications. He also managed several small molecule screening projects, and collaborated with medicinal chemists on chemical optimization steps through early stages of pre-clinical small molecule development. Andrew also has extensive experience with protein engineering, protein purification procedures, and biochemical assay design. Through his work he has authored numerous published scientific articles.

His scientific knowledge allows him to understand and communicate effectively across a wide array of technologies, enabling him to assist clients to meet their business goals, develop effective strategies, and navigate through the legal landscape.

**Not admitted to the D.C. Bar*

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Bar Admissions

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office