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Session 1: Patent Prosecution and Licensing Basics

Kathryn Grey

Kathryn Grey, Ph.D., supports clients in U.S. and foreign patent prosecution, finance-related due diligence, freedom to operate and patentability analyses, non-infringement and invalidity opinions, and negotiating and drafting license agreements. Dr. Grey's practice encompasses many areas of the life sciences, including representing companies, universities, hospitals, and startups in biotechnology, pharmaceutical, therapeutics, and diagnostic areas. Sensitive to the pressures and competing demands that her clients face, Kathryn provides thoughtful, timely counsel informed by a holistic understanding of each client's operations and goals. Her technical experience includes neuroscience, molecular and cellular biology, cell lines, biomarkers, antibodies, polypeptides, formulations, gene therapies, therapeutics, surgical procedures, and diagnostic assays.



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Alex Yu

Alex Yu's practice focuses on patent prosecution and patent portfolio management, strategic counseling, freedom-to-operate studies, due diligence investigations, and opinions. Alex additionally has represented clients in post-grant proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Yu has advised clients ranging from individual inventors and start-ups to multinational companies and has worked on matters spanning technologies including consumer robotics, medical robotics, autonomous vehicles, machine learning, consumer electronics, 2D and 3D printing, medical devices, biometrics, manufacturing, user interfaces and human-computer interaction, Internet of Things, drones, motors, nanotechnology, and optical components.



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Session 2: Medical Device IP 101



Giordana Mahn

With a background in mechanical engineering and a passion for working with female founders and innovators, Giordana Mahn helps inventors secure valuable patent rights for their consumer products, biomechanical, electromechanical, health and sex tech, and medical device innovations and technologies. She works with a wide range of technologies, including wearable technology, gynecological devices, intravenous drug delivery systems, prosthetics, personal care products, pharmaceutical manufacturing equipment, process control systems, refrigeration and freezer systems, automotive components, agricultural equipment, sporting goods, portable electronic devices, and a wide range of medical devices.



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Tyler Train

Tyler Train's practice focuses on intellectual property litigation and counseling across a variety of technologies, with an emphasis on patent litigation in the medical device and medtech industry. Clients rely on Train for insightful, strategic representation in protecting and enforcing their most important innovations. Train has represented some of the world's leading companies in U.S. District Courts nationwide, the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, and the International Trade Commission. Train has tried multiple patent cases to verdict, where he has experience taking and preparing witnesses and arguing trial motions. Train is also skilled at developing pre-trial strategies for patent-specific issues such as claim construction, non-infringement, and invalidity.



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Session 3: Chain of Title



Priscilla Dodson

Priscilla Dodson, Ph.D., is a patent litigator with a decade of experience in Hatch-Waxman litigation, representing clients at all stages—from pre-suit diligence through trial, final judgment, and appeal. Priscilla also represents clients in post-grant Patent Office proceedings, and advises clients on obtaining and managing patent protection.

With a Ph.D. in Chemistry and Chemical Biology, she brings deep technical expertise to her pharmaceutical and life science matters. Priscilla is a named inventor on two patents resulting from her Ph.D. research.



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Session 4: Early-Stage Life Sciences Companies – IP and Trade Secret Strategies

Robert Frederickson III

Robert Frederickson, a partner in Goodwin's Intellectual Property Litigation practice and co-chair of the firm's Life Sciences Disputes sector, represents life sciences, technology and financial services companies in intellectual property litigation and complex commercial disputes. Robert is an experienced IP trial lawyer, having tried numerous cases to juries and judges across the country. Frederickson has successfully defended life sciences and technology companies accused of intellectual property infringement and misappropriation. Frederickson also focuses a large part of his practice representing life sciences and technology companies in complex, commercial arbitrations, involving licensing, collaboration, and supply agreement disputes.



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Olivia Uitto

Olivia D. Uitto is a partner in Goodwin's nationally recognized Life Sciences and Technology groups. Her practice focuses on developing and managing complex worldwide patent estates and market exclusivity strategies for life sciences companies. She works with public and private companies of all sizes and stages of development, including start-ups and entities that invest in pharmaceutical and life science companies and technologies. Her client projects are varied and include developing and managing worldwide patent estates on drug candidates, evaluating competitive landscapes to determine patentability and freedom to operate, developing IP strategies for early stage start-up companies, performing IP due diligence for investors, and advising on license agreements, collaborations and regulatory issues.



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Session 5: Understanding Exclusivity Provisions in Technology Consulting Agreements

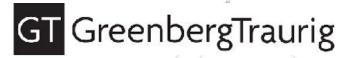
Alex Linhardt

Alex Linhardt is a member of the Litigation Practice in Greenberg Traurig's Los Angeles office. His practice covers diverse areas of business and entertainment litigation, including contractual disputes, privacy rights, defamation, copyright and trademark infringement, employment discrimination, and real estate. Alex also has wide-ranging experience in arbitration and post-arbitration proceedings.



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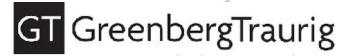
Brent Sokol

Brent D. Sokol has more than 30 years of experience representing medical device and biotechnology companies, broadcasters, new media technology companies, consumer products companies, and others in patent, copyright, trademark, trade secret, contract, tortious interference, false advertising, and Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA)/piracy claims. Sokol litigates complex intellectual property and related contract and tort disputes, including those involving multiple forums and forms of intellectual property. Sokol is also an acknowledged leader and national speaker about the global restructurings of a company's intellectual property, and in particular the rights of companies and their lenders with respect to such restructurings.



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Session 6: Get Your Ducks In A Row: How Life Science Companies Should Prepare for Intellectual Property Disputes

Natasha Daughtrey

Natasha Daughtrey is a partner in the firm's Intellectual Property Litigation practice and is a member of the firm's Life Sciences Disputes group. She joined Goodwin in 2011. Daughtrey is a steadfast counselor and advocate for her clients in all aspects of intellectual property, whether she is representing them in a hotly contested litigation or by proactively guiding clients on strategies to avoid litigation altogether. Her legal practice is primarily focused on intellectual property litigation and strategic counseling, with a specialization in patents, trade secrets, and trademarks. She guides companies through all phases of IP litigation, from initial investigations to bench or jury trial and appeals. Moreover, she offers invaluable counsel to clients at various stages of their life cycle, assisting with intellectual property strategy and due diligence.



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Joshua Weinger

Joshua Weinger, PhD, is a partner in Goodwin's Intellectual Property Litigation practice and focuses his practice on patent matters, with a concentration in the areas of biotechnology and pharmaceuticals. Weinger is a contributor to the firm's Big Molecule Watch, an award-winning blog that reports real-time analysis and updates on regulatory issues, litigation, legislation and other news in the developing world of biosimilars. Weinger holds a PhD in molecular biophysics and biochemistry.



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Session 7: BPCIA & Hatch-Waxman 101



Madelyn McCormick

Patent litigator Madelyn McCormick represents leading pharmaceutical, biomedical, medical device, and life sciences companies, as well as new and emerging entities. An integral member of Fish & Richardson's life sciences litigation practice, she asserts and defends patent and trade secret claims and technology-related disputes in both federal courts and arbitration forums. McCormick focuses her practice on representing clients in pharmaceutical and biosimilar pre-suit exchanges and litigation, in addition to resolving biomedical patent and technology dispute cases. She excels in case evaluation, witness preparation, and formulating a strategy to drive her clients' success. She also has significant experience working on JAMS matters.



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Dexter Whitley

Dexter Whitley, Ph.D., a member of Fish & Richardson's litigation team, works on complex patent cases involving a range of technical areas, with a particular focus on life sciences, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, and Hatch-Waxman litigation. Whitley is experienced in multiple stages of litigation, from pre-case assessment and due diligence investigations through witness preparation and examination. He is a critical team member in District Court litigation and in post-grant matters before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. A former professor of molecular biology, immunology, and physiology at Tougaloo College, Dexter readily understands the complex technologies underlying his clients' inventions, communicates well with scientists and inventors, and explains scientific concepts in clear and simple terms for corporate leaders, lay judges, and juries.



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Session 8: M&A Readiness – When Big Pharma Comes Knocking

Caroline Bullerjahn

Caroline Bullerjahn, a partner in Goodwin's Securities Litigation practice and a leader of the firm's Life Sciences Disputes group, focuses her securities litigation practice on class action and derivative litigation defense, SEC, and other government, regulatory and internal investigations, fiduciary duty claims, corporate governance matters, and shareholder disputes, M&A-related litigation and post-closing disputes, and SPAC litigation. She is a member of the firm's Partnership Committee and the co-chair of the firm's global Dobbs Task Force.



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Lisa Haddad

Lisa Haddad is a partner in the firm's Public M&A / Corporate Governance practice. She focuses on mergers and acquisitions involving public companies and corporate governance matters. Lisa serves on the firm's Allocations Committee. She was formerly a member of the firm's Executive Committee, co-chair of the Public M&A / Corporate Governance practice, and co-chair of Goodwin's Women's Initiative. Haddad has extensive experience in representing buyers, sellers and financial advisors in merger and acquisition transactions involving both public and private companies, especially in the life sciences and technology sectors. In this area, she has a special focus on public company mergers and acquisitions, spin-offs, and other complex transactions involving public companies.



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