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DeAnn Smith is a registered U.S. patent attorney with over 20 years of experience in obtaining worldwide patent protection for clients and advising on matters relating to intellectual property portfolio strategy, including development, implementation and management of intellectual assets.

DeAnn's areas of technology expertise include immunology, genomics, proteomics, bio-markers and drug development. She understands the business implications of establishing and implementing intellectual property strategy, having served as in-house counsel for a pharmacogenomic/diagnostic biotechnology client.

In the area of intellectual property disputes, DeAnn has been involved in numerous interference proceedings and patent infringement matters, including Section 337 actions before the International Trade Commission. As part of this work, she regularly offers clients non-infringement, invalidity, validity and clearance opinions.

Before joining Foley Hoag LLP, DeAnn was a partner in the biotechnology/chemistry patent group of another major law firm.

INDUSTRIES

Life Sciences

SERVICES

Business
Intellectual Property
Patent
Intellectual Property Litigation
Trademark, Copyright & Unfair Competition

RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Honorary Professor, "US Patent Law," Tianjin University Law School (China), Spring 2009

EDUCATION

Michigan State University, B.S. in Biochemistry and Chemistry, 1989
University of Michigan Law School, J.D., 1992

BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

- Y Massachusetts
- Y Michigan
- Y U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (Agency)
- Y U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- Y Massachusetts, Michigan, and American Bar Associations, Member
- Y American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
 - w Vice Chair of Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge & Folklore Committee
 - w Past Chair and Vice Chair of Biotechnology Committee (2004-2009)
- Y Boston Bar Association, Intellectual Property Section, Co-Chair of Intellectual Property Law
- Y Boston Patent Law Association, Member

SPEECHES AND CONFERENCES

- Y "What You Need to Know Now About ITC Section 337 Investigations," BIO 2010 International Convention, May 2010
- Y "Maintaining and Gaining Career Momentum in Spite of the Economic Downturn," American Intellectual Property Law Association, January 2010
- Y Co-Chair, "Intellectual Property Year in Review," Intellectual Property Section of the Boston Bar Association, January 2010
- Y "US International Trade Commission (ITC) Section 337 Investigations: A comprehensive overview and case study of a biotechnology-related investigation before the ITC," Corporate Intellectual Property in China, 2009
- Y "A Case Study of Biotechnology-Related Action Before the International Trade Commission (ITC)," BIO 2008 International Convention, 2008
- Y "Evolving Issues in the Written Description Requirement," Practising Law Institute, Preparing Patent Legal Opinions, September 2006, 2005, 2004
- Y Co-Chairperson of the AIPLA "Advanced Chemical and Biotechnology Patent Practice Seminar,"

Seattle, St. Louis, Delaware, 2004

Y Lectured on numerous topics relating to biotechnology patent law for the American Intellectual Property Law Association, the Association of University Technology Managers, the Association of European Science and Technology Transfer Professionals, as well as various private groups

PUBLICATIONS

Y Co-author, Facing ITC Investigation? What Chinese Biotechnology Companies Should Know About Patent Litigation in the United States International Trade Commission, Asia Pacific Biotech News (July 2009)

Y Big Pharma Looks to Generics and Biotech for Growth, Managing Intellectual Property Magazine (September 2008)

Y Biotech's Biggest Blockbusters, Managing Intellectual Property Magazine (June 2008)