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Andrew leads a team of attorneys focused on medical device patents, serving clients ranging from small startups to large companies, universities, and foreign law firms. He provides advice and counsel to executive-level leadership, in-house counsel, managers, and engineers, developing and executing strategies to protect investments in research and development.

Andrew's work includes preparation and prosecution of patent applications with a concentration on medical devices and other healthcare technology, particularly minimally invasive surgical instruments, biopsy devices, cardiac catheters, cardiac implants, ocular treatment instruments and methods, dental surgical innovations, robotic surgical systems, and gene sequencing systems. He has worked in various technologies including biomedical, mechanical, electrical, telecommunications, microfluidics, optics, materials, and software. His patent prosecution experience includes extensive international prosecution with an emphasis on the jurisdictions of Australia, Canada, China, Europe, Japan, and Korea.

In addition to his patent preparation and prosecution work, Andrew provides patent validity opinions, infringement opinions, and right-to-use evaluations, with advice on risk exposure and design-around opportunities. He also provides due diligence review and counseling, including evaluation of strengths and weaknesses in third party patent estates to assist in determining monetary value in potential acquisitions.

His experience also includes patent portfolio management counseling, including advising clients on how to best invest in their patent estate, where to trim their estate, and how to leverage their

patent assets in the marketplace. He also assists clients in drafting and negotiating intellectual property related contracts, including patent licenses, joint development agreements, and settlements.

Other Info About Andrew

Education

University of Cincinnati College of Law, J.D., 2003
Order of the Coif
University of Cincinnati Law Review, Associate Member

The Ohio State University, B.A., Physics, 1999

Courts

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Recognition

The Best Lawyers in America, Patent Law 2020-2027

Chambers USA, Intellectual Property, 2015-2026

Selected for inclusion in Ohio Super Lawyers 2024-2026 and Ohio Super Lawyers Rising Stars, 2017

LMG Life Sciences, "Life Science Star" in Intellectual Property, 2013-2022

Cincy Magazine, "Leading Lawyer" in Intellectual Property, 2021-2024

Professional Affiliations

American Bar Association, Member Intellectual Property Section

American Intellectual Property Law Association, Member

Cincinnati Intellectual Property Law Association, Member

Cincinnati Bar Association

Ohio State Bar Association

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Major Publications

Co-author, "What You Need to Know About the America Invents Act," *Update: Food and Drug Law, Regulation and Education*, The Food and Drug Law Institute, July/August 2012.

Editor-in-chief, *Media, Advertising, & Entertainment Law Throughout the World*, Thomson West 2008-2015

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