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Profile

Catherine assists clients with a wide variety of intellectual property issues including patent prosecution, IP portfolio management and licensing.

Catherine has experience in worldwide patent drafting and prosecution, IP portfolio management and freedom to operate opinions. She also has experience in copyright, tech-transfer and corporate due diligence. A particular focus for Catherine is on medical devices as well as artificial intelligence systems. She has experience helping medical professionals protect their inventions from conception to practice and sale. She also has in-depth knowledge of artificial intelligence/machine learning systems and has helped many computer scientists navigate how to best protect their innovations.

In addition, Catherine works on portfolio management and business strategies for her clients, assisting them in their long-term business goals and helps best leverage their intellectual property to meet their needs.

Prior to attending law school, Catherine worked as a chemical engineer conducting laboratory research on osmotic water purification and small-molecule drug development. She has also worked as an environmental consultant where she conducted in-field groundwater remediation and communicated between clients and regulatory agencies.

Education

- Boston College Law School (J.D. 2021)
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (B.S. in Chemical Engineering 2015)

Bar/Court Admissions

- Commonwealth of Massachusetts (2021)
- U.S. District Court for the Northern District of New York
- *Not Admitted to Practice in New York

Practices

- Intellectual Property