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Katie enjoys practicing in many areas of intellectual property law. She currently concentrates on patent litigation, prosecution and counseling in chemical matters, in addition to litigation and counseling in trademark and trade dress matters. She has wide range of litigation experience, representing smaller companies as well as Fortune 500 companies in patent, trademark and trade dress disputes relating to a variety of technologies and products. Katie also represents clients in inter partes review and other post-issuance proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. She is part of a team representing one of the world's largest food and beverage companies.

Katie was awarded her J.D. degree and a certificate in intellectual property law from Chicago-Kent College of Law. There, she was an associate editor for the Chicago-Kent Journal of Intellectual Property. She was involved as well with the Intellectual Property Law Society, the Chicago Bar Association, the American Bar Association, and the Institute of Food Technologists.

During her time at Chicago-Kent, Katie was a law clerk at PepsiCo, Inc., assisting in-house counsel on intellectual property-related matters. Additionally, she participated in the Chicago-Kent IP-Patent Clinic and received a grant from the Department of Energy for her research on the effects of incidence and impacts of nanotechnology patents.

Katie earned a Bachelor's of Science degree in Food Science and a certificate in business at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. As an undergraduate, Katie performed research in food bacteriology. She evaluated the capabilities of bacteria contamination testing methodologies. The results of her research were published in the Journal of Food Protection and the Journal of Food Safety.

Katie is Chair of the Outreach Committee for Chicago Women in IP (ChiWIP). She was named an Illinois Super Lawyers' Rising Star in intellectual property in 2014 and 2015. The Super Lawyers lists represent the top 5 percent of attorneys in each state. Katie was also recognized as a 2022 Illinois Emerging Lawyer. She has also served as an adjunct professor at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, teaching a course in Patent Office Trials.

Education

University of Wisconsin
2003, B.S., Food Science

Chicago - Kent College of Law
2007, J.D.

Admissions

Bar Admissions
2020, Utah
2007, Illinois

Court Admissions

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin
U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois
U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Supreme Court of Illinois
Supreme Court of Utah

Practices

Counseling, Opinions + Licensing
Design Patents
Litigation
PTAB Litigation
Patent Prosecution
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