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Andrew helps clients in the chemical arts industries bring new products to market while minimizing IP risks and building profitable patent portfolios. With more than twenty years of experience as a patent attorney, he provides strategic guidance to companies ranging from multi-national and Fortune 500 companies to smaller companies and start-ups. Clients of all sizes trust him to provide expertly prepared state of the art searches, freedom to operate assessments, and patentability opinions. He also conducts due diligence analyses related to competitor and third part target technologies.

Andrew's practice further includes patenting new products and processes related to chemical technologies. He counsels clients on chemical engineering processes, industrial and agricultural chemicals, pharmaceuticals and drug delivery systems, and alternative fuel technologies. In addition, he has an impressive network of patent professionals that he leverages to ensure his clients' interests are protected on a global scale.

PRACTICE AREAS

Patents; PTAB Proceedings; IP Transactions; International

INDUSTRIES

AgriFood Tech; Chemistry & Materials Science; Clean & Green Technology; Consumer Products; Pharmaceutical & Biotechnology; Semiconductor Processing & Devices



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KEY MATTERS

- Drafts and prosecutes U.S. and foreign patent applications in a variety of chemical arts, including agricultural chemicals, herbicides, fire retardants and suppressants, pharmaceutical and nutraceutical compositions, industrial chemicals and processes for the preparation, recovery, refining, etc. of these chemicals.
- Manages the worldwide patent portfolios for a large agricultural chemical company related to various commercial formulations, processes, and catalysts.
- Developed an intellectual property portfolio and strategy for a leading fire retardant and fire suppressant company with subsidiaries in the U.S. and Europe.
- Counseled manufacturing company on a range of intellectual property

issues, including patent prosecution strategy in the U.S. and worldwide and product development with major personal care product manufacturer.

BACKGROUND

Outside of work, Andrew enjoys golfing, reading biographies, and activities with his wife and children.

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

- *Best Lawyers*, Patent Law, 2018-2024

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis

CIVIC & CHARITABLE

- St. Raphael the Archangel School, School Board Member, 2008-2010

EDUCATION

J.D., Saint Louis University School of Law, 2001

B.S., Chemical Engineering, University of Missouri – Rolla (Missouri University of Science & Technology), 1998

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Missouri

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office