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OVERVIEW

Myers helps clients gain a competitive advantage via intellectual property—both through tactical patent portfolio management and strategically negotiated technology contracts.

Known for his team and project management skills alongside his legal acumen, Myers has a reputation for making clients' lives easier. Confident that matters handed to Myers will be well-managed, clients can focus on their businesses and on future innovations as Myers deftly oversees their patents and technology agreements.

"Husch Blackwell (HB) comes with a great reputation, but most importantly Myers Dill was willing to discuss OUR needs. Myers promised me HB would be available for Keystone Bio as we needed and when we needed. That was extremely important for us. One of the biggest roadblocks to a startup of any kind is the need for exceptional legal structure, while at the same time not becoming cash-poor in the pursuit. Myers and HB were great to work with as Keystone Bio worked through that phase."

 Dr. Daniel Sindelar, CEO, Keystone Bio

Industries

Life Sciences Manufacturing Technology

Services

Intellectual Property
Intellectual Property Counseling
Licensing & Tech Transfer
Patent Preparation & Prosecution
Startups

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A patent attorney registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Myers guides clients as they make decisions regarding patent strategies and manages a complete team of associates and patent agents who protect valuable IP assets. Myers and his team prepare and prosecute patent applications, conduct freedom to operate and patentability searches, and provide litigation support in patent disputes.

Alongside his patent work, Myers also assists clients in drafting and negotiating complex technology agreements, such as software licensing and development agreements. He ensures that these contracts support clients' overall IP strategies and business goals.

In addition to a level of traditional diversity uncommon to the IP law world, Myers's team includes a diverse collection of industry and technical knowledge so that clients can be paired with legal professionals who have the technical background to understand their innovations and technology needs. Whether helping a client develop a patent strategy or negotiating a technology agreement, Myers also prides himself on offering practical advice that aligns with the client's specific business objectives.

Using his degree in biomedical engineering and his experience in the pharmaceutical industry, Myers works with clients in a range of technology areas, including medical devices, consumer products, and control systems. He is also active in the St. Louis startup community and often works hand in hand with individual entrepreneurs and early-stage companies, serving in a sole outside counsel role.

Experience

- Actively manages patent prosecution estates for leading consumer products companies in industries such as kitchen appliances and accessories, sporting goods, home goods and plumbing fixtures.
- Guided medical research team through proactive LLC to C corporation conversion, seed investment, Series A Investment and subsequent close.
- Guided hydrogen technologies company through two-stage Series Seed/A offering, securing \$12.5 million investment from international investors.
- Drafts and negotiates technology and software related agreements on behalf of both publicly traded and privately held clients.
- Assisted clients in navigating transition of IT services to new vendor.

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Recognition

• Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch, Intellectual Property Law, Litigation - Patent, 2021-2024

Education

- J.D., University of Illinois College of Law
 - o cum laude
 - o Journal of Law, Technology and Policy, Membership Editor
- M.A., Marian University
 - Teaching
- B.S., Washington University in St. Louis
 - Biomedical Engineering

Admissions

- Missouri
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Community Leadership

Myers is passionate about education, particularly in underserved and underperforming communities. While his career plan was always the law, he deferred law school for two years to serve in Teach for America, where he taught middle school mathematics to children from disenfranchised communities. The experience taught Myers how to meet individuals where they are and develop a personalized plan to help them grow and move forward—just as he does with clients today.

Since completing his stint with Teach for America, Myers has served on the Board of Directors for HOME WORKS!: The Teacher Home Visit Program, as well as in the role of Alumni Buddy (CAB) and Alumni Mentor for Teach for America's St. Louis Corps.

As part of his involvement with the St. Louis startup community, Myers also serves on the Arch Grants Global Startup Competition Committee.

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