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OVERVIEW

Sydney brings an engineer's exacting eye for detail to her work on intellectual property matters for clients. She practices from Edmond, Oklahoma as a member of our virtual office, The Link.

A licensed professional electrical engineer, Sydney works closely with clients who look to her to handle the technical details associated with the work required to meet their business goals. She works on a variety of transactional matters, including drafting and prosecuting patent applications, registration of trademarks, developing artificial intelligence policies and counseling clients on AI innovation implementation, IP due diligence reviews, and preliminary enforcement measures. She also drafts and negotiates complex software, licensing, and technology related agreements. She brings a collaborative approach to protecting clients' intellectual property, while also providing research and support for complex patentability and clearance analyses.

Sydney works on a wide range of technologies including software applications, artificial intelligence-based solutions, robotics, scanning technologies, medical devices, data processing techniques, lighting systems, communications protocols, image processing, aquatic systems, industrial equipment, agricultural equipment, electronics, food processing systems, digital mental health innovations, jewelry, and clothing. She is also highly knowledgeable in Open Source Software (OSS) licensing and frequently counsels clients on developing and implementing OSS policies, integrating OSS components into commercial products, and enforcement issues.

Industries

Manufacturing Technology Transportation

Services

Artificial Intelligence Copyrights Intellectual Property Intellectual Property Counseling Internet of Things Licensing & Tech Transfer Patent Preparation & Prosecution Software Development & Licensing Technology Commercialization Trademarks

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Clients value Sydney's professional background, particularly her time working in the natural gas industry and in commercial lighting and power design. While earning her master's degree, she managed the installation of the largest liquefied natural gas (LNG) power generation system in gas processing in the world at time of completion. She also engineered complex energy efficient lighting and power design systems, working closely with clients to help stretch their project budget and anticipating evolving demands, all without compromising specification quality or project logistics.

Sydney enjoys working with attorneys who emphasize the importance of client-focused solutions and is particularly inspired by Husch Blackwell's commitment to legal excellence and client success. She finds encouragement in Husch Blackwell's team-oriented culture and its mentoring program, noting that attorneys at all levels are invested in the growth of less-experienced colleagues. She also enjoys pro bono work with Lawyers for Creative Arts and Communities for Change through the firm's robust Pro Bono initiative. Sydney maintains a closely held connection to her engineering alma mater by serving as an adjunct professor to law students and nontraditional engineering students.

Experience

- Assisted in the research and support of the most recent edition of the Patent Jury Instruction Handbook from Thomson Reuters.
- Counseled multiple clients, from a global manufacturing leader to a software entrepreneur, on integrating open source software for innovative new technologies, and other license compliance issues.
- Facilitated an interactive brainstorming session with a large industrial client to help foster innovation, develop additional research goals, and identify patentable subject matter.
- Represented long-time client ImplantBase, a premier provider of inventory logistics and sales operations software for medical device companies and their distributor networks, in the sale of the business to Surgimate.

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Education

- J.D., University of Oklahoma College of Law
 - with honors
 - Organization for the Advancement of Women in Law Mentor
- M.S., University of Oklahoma Gallogly College of Engineering
 - Electrical Engineering
- B.S., University of Oklahoma Gallogly College of Engineering
 - Electrical and Computer Engineering
 - with distinction
 - Distinguished Mentor in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Admissions

- Illinois
- Oklahoma
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Community Leadership

• University of Oklahoma College of Law and College of Engineering, adjunct professor, volunteer, student mentor, and guest speaker

*Sydney works remotely and is licensed in Oklahoma, practicing in Edmond, OK. Contact Sydney via email or phone for in-person/virtual meetings. Use the Chicago office address for mail/deliveries only.

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