Representative Legal Matters

Dr. Guy F. Birkenmeier

Pharmaceutical

- Counseled a major private university medical school in launching an innovative collaboration with a pharmaceutical company to create and develop cellular immunotherapy products.
- Counseled a biopharmaceutical company regarding trade secrets and third party patents related to biologics products.
- Counseled a global pharmaceutical company in the sale of its branded generics business with respect to intellectual property assets.
- Counseled a major medical school on its policies related to intellectual property developed by its faculty and staff.
- Provided analysis and strategic prosecution of patents in the chemical, biomedical, and pharmaceutical arts for several prominent public and private universities.

Health Care

- Assisted a leading international healthcare company with evaluation and acquisition of a multi-million dollar immuno-oncology company.
- Counseled a non-profit university medical school in moving its genetic testing services and associated patents and know how into a for-profit joint venture.
- Assisted in providing patentability and clearance opinions to a global medical products company.
- Counseled a private university on sponsored research and collaboration with industry partner to create and screen chemical libraries and develop drug products from identified candidates.

Chemical

- Represented a global company in the strategic growth of its portfolio of proprietary technology related to elastomeric polymer compositions.
- Successfully defended a Fortune 500 food and nutrition company's patents to starch compositions against ex parte reexamination.
- Represented a multi-national chemical company in strategic IP planning and patent procurement for photoactive chemical entities and compositions.

Biotechnology and Plant Science

- Counseled a biotechnology client regarding its portfolio of DNA-directed RNA interference intellectual property in connection with its multi-million dollar NASDAQ initial public offering.
- Counseled a global biotechnology company regarding its innovative biological pest management technologies in connection with its multi-million dollar acquisition by a leading agriculture company.
- Managed substantial portfolio of patents and applications related to transgene expression and gene silencing owned by a major public university and licensed to a bioagriculture company.
- Prosecuted patent applications involving plant genes, genetically modified plants, and plant transformation methods for a major seed company.
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- Managed the global portfolio of plant variety rights for fruit growers consortium.
- Managed the global intellectual property portfolio of a multi-national company dedicated to developing and commercializing plant-based protein and carbohydrate products.
- Represented multiple clients to identify patent-ready technology and secure intellectual property rights for technologies related to viruses (e.g., pox virus, polio virus, hepatitis, human immunodeficiency virus, cytomegalovirus, and a variety of plant viruses) including anti-viral therapies and gene delivery vectors.

Information Technology

• Represented an information technology company in prosecuting an inter partes reexamination of a competitor's patent related to software for managing blood collection, serological cross matching, and transfusion on behalf of the third party requester.

Clean Energy

• Assisted a clean energy start-up company with the identification and development of their intellectual property assets.