



Kiara Butler is a motivated researcher with an inquisitive mindset – she’s committed to taking the time to thoroughly investigate her clients’ needs. As an intellectual property attorney, she identifies applicable case law and unique legal arguments to ensure her clients’ business goals are prioritized.

Kiara relies on her legal research skills to assist intellectual property clients with their patent, copyright, and trademark issues.

Before joining Barnes & Thornburg full-time, Kiara was a summer associate with the firm. She researched case law, drafted memoranda, and crafted legal arguments for intellectual property and litigation matters.

Kiara also worked with the University of Wisconsin-Madison Office of Legal Affairs as a trademark law clerk. She filed trademark applications, authored distinct goods and services descriptions, and corresponded with U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) counsel.

Prior to attending law school, Kiara was a senior paralegal for a product liability group and a family law paralegal.

Professional and Community Involvement

Member, Cornell University Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN)

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Member, State Bar of Wisconsin

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EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin Law School,
(J.D.), 2023, articles editor of Wisconsin
Law Review

Cornell University, (B.A.), government,
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BAR ADMISSIONS

Illinois

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COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the Northern
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LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Advertising and Marketing

Intellectual Property

Trademark Oppositions and
Cancellations

Trademarks