



Renee Danega brings nearly a decade of intellectual property law experience to her practice as a patent attorney. She is skilled in leveraging the patent process to protect each client's idea while seeking to meet their often distinct business needs.

Renee focuses her practice on prosecuting patents in domestic and international markets from concept through to granted patent. She is also appreciated for her ability to identify and advise on when and how design patents may play an important role in client business strategies. Moreover, Renee assists in the preparation of legal opinions in the areas of patent infringement and freedom-to-operate.

Working with businesses that range from Fortune 500 companies to startups, Renee's industry experience is also broad and includes medical, automotive, rail, alternative energy, packaging, safety, apparel, and fermentation technologies. Regardless of the client, industry or complexity of the matter, Renee is committed to reducing the expense of the patent process while also striving to maximize the value of each asset.

Renee is adept in identifying the unique attributes of patent applications and focuses on prosecuting applications that protect the patent's integrity. She is also valued for her realistic guidance and practical solutions to any challenges that may arise after issuance.

She has assisted on monitorships and is a member of the core team assisting the Special Compliance Coordinator appointed by the U.S. Department of Commerce to monitor, assess and report on the U.S. export control compliance of Zhongxing Telecommunications Equipment Corporation, of Shenzhen, China, and ZTE Kangxun Telecommunications Ltd. of Hi-New Shenzhen, China (collectively, ZTE).

Prior to joining Barnes & Thornburg, Renee was a patent examiner with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. As a former examiner, Renee offers clients unique perspective on navigating the patent system, negotiating protections for their technologies and determining an efficient plan of action for patent allowance.

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EDUCATION

George Washington University Law School, (J.D.)

Syracuse University, (B.S.),
bioengineering

BAR ADMISSIONS

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Virginia

COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the Eastern
District of Virginia

LANGUAGES

English

PRACTICES

Intellectual Property

Patent Litigation

Patent Services - Counseling and
Prosecution

White Collar and Investigations

INDUSTRIES

Telecommunications

Renee is not regularly admitted to practice law in the local courts of the District of Columbia. Pursuant to Rule 49 her practice in the District of Columbia is limited to federal courts and agencies.

Professional and Community Involvement

Member, Virginia State Bar Association

Member, Syracuse University Alumni Association

Member, Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA)

Member, DC Brewer's Guild

Volunteer ski instructor, Blue Ridge Adaptive Snow Sports

Honors

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