



With a background of nearly 15 years as a biologist, Angela B. Freeman assists clients in protecting highly technical intellectual property, particularly in the food and beverage, agricultural, pharmaceutical, life sciences, biotech and renewable energy industries.

A member of the firm's Intellectual Property Department and Life Sciences practice group, Angela is instrumental in procuring IP rights in the U.S. and worldwide for client inventions.

Angela's practice includes preparing contractual agreements and opinions. She also performs IP due diligence in order to protect her client's interest during sales, mergers and acquisitions. In addition, Angela assists clients with procuring trademark and copyright registrations to protect their intellectual property rights. Angela also focuses on educating and assisting clients, specifically women and diverse small business owners, in protecting their IP.

Prior to her legal career, Angela worked as a biologist at global pharmaceutical company, Eli Lilly & Co. In 2007, she received the Lilly Chairman's Ovation Award for Global Leadership in Diversity. In 2010, she was awarded the Eli Lilly Law Alumni Scholarship, and is a recognized diversity, equity and inclusion champion in her corporate and community environments.

Angela also has additional research experience in the molecular, cellular and craniofacial biology department at a Louisville area birth defects center. In her time as a biologist, Angela was a regular contributor to publications and presentations on topics related to genetic and biological research.

## **Professional and Community Involvement**

Host, Indianapolis Business Journal's *The Freedom Forum with Angela B. Freeman* podcast

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#### **EDUCATION**

Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law, (J.D.), intellectual property, 2012

University of Louisville, (M.S.), molecular biology, where graduate thesis research examined the phylogenetic relationship among fungal strains and their plant hosts, 2000

University of Louisville, (B.A.), biology and chemistry, 1996

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

Indiana

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

## **COURT ADMISSIONS**

U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Indiana

U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Indiana

## **LANGUAGES**

English

## **PRACTICES**

Biotechnology

Intellectual Property

Patent Litigation

Patent Services - Counseling and Prosecution

Trademarks

Emeritus member and Past president, Women & Hi Tech

Board member, Culture Care, Inc.

Member, American Bar Association

Member, Indiana State Bar Association

Member, Indianapolis Bar Association

Member, Marion County Bar Association

Member, American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)

Member, University of Louisville Alumni Association

Member, Indiana University Alumni Association

Member, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

### **Honors**

World Intellectual Property Review Diversity Top 100, 2024

Lawyers of Color Wonderful Women List, 2023

Indiana Minority Business Magazine Champion of Diversity, 2023

Women of Influence List, Indianapolis Business Journal, 2021

The Best Lawyers in America, Ones to Watch, 2021-2024

Trailblazer Award, Indiana Commission on Women, 2020

IndyChamber's Leadership Exchange Advance 317 Delegation to San Antonio, Texas, 2019

Stanley K. Lacy (SKL) Executive Leadership Program Class XLIII, 2019

Indianapolis Professional Association Youth Empowerment Award, 2019

Center for Leadership Development's (CLD) Minority Achiever's Award for Achievement in Science & Technical Disciplines, 2017

The Indiana Lawyer Up and Coming Lawyer Award, 2015

Leadership United by United Way of Central Indiana, 2015

Junior Achievement of Indiana Indy's Best and Brightest Award in Law Finalist, 2014

Center of Intellectual Property Law and Innovation Alumni Spotlight, 2014

#### **INDUSTRIES**

Agriculture and Food Life Sciences Renewable Energy