

Patents

Whether you are developing next-generation software or pioneering new manufacturing processes, our Patent team delivers protection that matters. We handle the complexities of patent law so you can focus on what you do best - innovating.

Foster Garvey's Patent team protects your intellectual property and helps you build value from your innovations. We work alongside inventors and businesses to transform ideas into strong patent portfolios that drive growth and create market advantages. From initial concept through enforcement, we combine advanced tools with global experience to secure and defend your innovations worldwide. Our approach includes:

- Patent Portfolio Management: Building, maintaining and enforcing global patent portfolios
- Competitive Intelligence: Using subscription-based patent search tools to track competitor activities and anticipate trends
- Accelerated Document Preparation: Expediting patent filings and Office action responses while ensuring high-quality results
- Worldwide Protection: Managing PCT applications for comprehensive international coverage
- Dispute Resolution: When litigation is necessary to enforce your patents, or defend against claims of patent infringement, our team offers highly experienced [patent litigators](#) ready to assist.

Full-Scope Patent Work

We conduct patentability searches and freedom to operate analyses to assess invention viability and market risks. Our patent preparation includes provisional, non-provisional and design applications, with detailed attention to claims, drawings and specifications. We handle all USPTO and international patent office correspondence, including Office action responses and examinations. For post-grant matters, we represent clients in

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inter partes reviews (IPRs), reexaminations and oppositions, while also managing enforcement through litigation or negotiation. Our ongoing services include patent portfolio monitoring, competitor filing tracking and IP due diligence for mergers, acquisitions and licensing agreements.

Innovation Across Industries

We protect and advance breakthrough technologies across multiple disciplines, drawing on our deep knowledge of emerging trends and industry-specific challenges. Our work encompasses:

Software, Computing and Internet

- Advanced software development
- Artificial intelligence and machine learning
- Cloud computing and internet-based business methods
- Mobile and wearable devices

Electronics, Optics and Telecommunications

- Electrical and optoelectronic systems
- Optics and photonics technologies, including high-power laser processing
- Telecommunications and wireless technologies, including cellular standards
- Consumer electronics and IoT (Internet of Things)
- Semiconductor devices and wafer processing

Medical, Life Sciences and Environmental Technologies

- Medical devices and life sciences
- Environmental technologies, including water purification and sustainable processes

Manufacturing, Robotics and Automation

- Manufacturing systems and optical inspection tools
- Robotics and automated systems

Specialized Industry Applications

- Food and beverage production technologies
- Transportation and mobility technologies
- Aerospace and avionics systems
- Energy and renewable technologies, including solar panels, wind turbines and energy storage systems

Gaming and Entertainment Technology

- Gaming, augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) systems