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Nancy has more than 25 years of experience both as in-house counsel and in private practice counseling clients in connection with the selection, registration, protection and enforcement of their intellectual property.

Nancy's vast experience includes counseling clients in industries ranging from apparel to food and alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages. She also has particular experience with long-range strategic counseling for trademark acquisition and exploitation.

She is a frequent presenter on a variety of topics related to trademarks and copyrights, including issues related to social media and the wine and spirits industry.

Previously, Nancy served as trademark counsel for The Coca-Cola Company and also as assistant division counsel for The Minute Maid Company.

Education

J.D., University of California, Berkeley Law, 1987

Masters of Education, Seattle University, 1984

B.A., Seattle University, 1979

Professional Activities

American Bar Association, Member

Services

IP & Technology

Commercial & IP
Transactions

Consumer Brands

Copyright & Trademark

Food & Beverage

Luxury Law

Sports, Arts & Entertainment

Tribal Governments &
Enterprises

Admissions

Washington, 2001

California, 1989

District of Columbia, 2001

Georgia, 1988

American Corporate Counsel Association, Member
American Intellectual Property Association, Member
California State Bar Association, Member
Georgia State Bar Association, Member
International Trademark Association, Member
Leadership Tomorrow, Graduate, 2003
Loren Miller Bar Association
National Bar Association, Member

Community Activities

Foundation House at Northgate, Board Member
Youth & Law Forum Seattle, Advisor

News

Seattle Indian Health Board Research Helps Create Government Task Force for Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives
Foster Garvey Newsroom, 1.7.20

Speaking Engagements

INTA 2024 Annual Meeting
Event
Atlanta, GA, 5.18.24-5.22.24

"Intellectual Property for Artists: Protecting your Art," Washington Lawyers for the Arts
Speaking Engagement
Virtual Event, 7.29.21

"Trademarks - Gateway to Shopping: A Generalist's Guide to Trademark Practice," Intellectual Property (IP) for the Non-IP Specialist
Speaking Engagement
September 2019

Legal Alerts

Trademark Email Scam Alert: Did You Receive Notice of Attempt to Register Brand Name?
2.22.24

Is Your Super Bowl Marketing Campaign Playing by the Rules? 5 Tips to Help You Avoid Getting a Penalty
1.30.24

Planning a Super Bowl Marketing Campaign? 5 Quick Tips for Staying in Bounds and Avoiding Disqualification
1.23.23

U.S. Supreme Court Invalidates Law Against Offensive Trademarks
6.24.19

Publications

Navigating Ethical and Legal Frontiers in Generative AI: Key Takeaways from Day Two of INTA's Conference on The Business of AI
Foster Garvey Publication, 4.5.24

Navigating the Landscape of Generative AI: Insights from Day One of INTA's Conference on The Business of AI
Foster Garvey Publication, 4.2.24

"Trademarks - Gateway to Shopping: A Generalist's Guide to Trademark Practice," Intellectual Property (IP) for the Non-IP Specialist, Washington State Bar Association
Intellectual Property (IP) for the Non-IP Specialist, Washington State Bar Association, September 2019