

## ANNE F. DOWNEY JOINS INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY & TECHNOLOGY PRACTICE GROUP

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Hodgson Russ announces Anne F. Downey has joined the law firm's Intellectual Property & Technology and Nonprofit Law Practice Groups as a partner in the Buffalo office.

Ms. Downey focuses her practice on assisting clients with trademarks, copyrights, licenses, and e-commerce. She advises on the availability, protection, and proper use of trademarks, both domestically and internationally. She prepares and prosecutes U.S. trademark and copyright applications and directs large corporate portfolios of international trademark registrations and enforcement activities. She has handled infringement, opposition, cancellation, licensing, domain name dispute, and other emerging intellectual property issues. In addition, Ms. Downey counsels clients with respect to rights of publicity, trade secrets, and online defamation issues, and she frequently assists clients in connection with website issues and agreements, such as clickwrap contracts, privacy policies, and terms of use.

Ms. Downey also forms businesses, assists nonprofit groups with incorporating and obtaining 501(c)(3) status, counsels entities and individuals on many diverse business and operational issues, and drafts and negotiates a wide variety of agreements.

Ms. Downey has practiced law since 1986, assisting large and small organizations and many individuals located across the United States and internationally. In addition to her many years as an attorney, Ms. Downey has been a co-owner of a small business, has served as a leader in a nonprofit organization, has volunteered with a number of political advocacy groups, and has taught undergraduate and graduate students as an adjunct professor. Calling upon these diverse experiences, she enjoys counseling her clients on business, nonprofit, and intellectual property issues.