



ANNA KINNEY

PATENT AGENT

Anna Kinney secures valuable intellectual property protection for inventors and companies as a Patent Agent at Dunlap Bennett & Ludwig. She transforms innovations into protected assets by leveraging her unique combination of USPTO experience and chemical engineering background across a wide variety of technological fields including biotechnology, software, electronics, consumer products, and medical devices.

With a passion for demystifying patent prosecution, Anna translates complex legal concepts into plain English, ensuring clients remain engaged and informed throughout the process. She invests time to thoroughly understand each innovation while empathizing with the challenges inventors face, bringing professionalism, patience, and genuine curiosity to every client relationship.

Anna lives in Loudoun County, Virginia with her husband and two adult children. She enjoys science fiction and fantasy, including both books and movies, as well as cooking and traveling.

EDUCATION

- Advanced Coursework in Environmental Engineering, Virginia Tech
- Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering, University of Massachusetts at Lowell

ADMISSIONS

- United States Patent and Trademark Office

EXPERIENCE

- Patent Agent, Dunlap Bennett & Ludwig PLLC (2020-Present)
 - Builds patent portfolios for clients ranging from solo inventors to large corporations
 - Prosecutes patents across diverse technologies, including successfully obtaining the following patents:
 - US 12252405 B2: Process and device for producing hydrogen, carbon monoxide and a carbon-containing product
 - US 12251485 B2: Aerosolized non-toxic disinfectant atmospherics system
 - US 12136825 B2: In-flight contact charging system (electronics)
 - US 11978160 B2: GPU-based digital map tile generation method and system (software)
 - US 11534466 B2: Pancreatic stem cells and uses thereof (biotechnology)
 - US 11696889 B2: Botanical antimicrobial composition (biotechnology)

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PRACTICE AREAS

Intellectual Property

INDUSTRIES

Aerospace & Defense
Automotive
Cannabis
Construction
Energy
Health Care
Manufacturing
Retail and Consumer Products
Software
Technology
Tobacco

OFFICE

Leesburg, VA



- Crafts strategic responses to complex Office Actions, converting rejected applications into granted patents
- Applies USPTO insider knowledge to anticipate examiner concerns and streamline the application process
- Secures competitive advantages for consumer product companies through design patents such as:
 - US D1066913 S: Disc golf bag
 - US D1062904 S: Boba tea plush doll
 - US D1043829 S: Smart vending machine
 - US D986580 S: Thread conditioner with cutter
- Patent Agent, Boutique IP Law Firms (2007-2020)
 - Secured long-term client relationships by consistently delivering high quality intellectual property protection aligned with business objectives, including:
 - US 11015052 B2: Halogen-free low dielectric resin composition, and prepreg, metal-clad laminate, and printed circuit board prepared using the same
 - US 11405346 B2: Verified hypermedia communications (software)
 - US 10689512 B2: Resin composition, and prepreg, metal-clad laminate, and printed circuit board using the same
 - US 10022669 B2: Process and apparatus for eliminating NOX and N2O
 - US 9721456 B2: Personal hazard detection system with redundant position registration and communication (electronics)
 - US 9421513 B2: Catalyst-coated support, method for the production thereof, a reactor equipped therewith, and use thereof
 - US 9266081 B2: Device and process for catalytic gas phase reactions and use thereof
- Drafted robust patent applications in polymer science, catalytic reactions, and environmental technologies
- Expanded client IP protection into European and Asian markets through targeted international filing strategies
- Patent Examiner, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Alexandria, VA (2005-2006)
 - Examined patent applications in chemical engineering technologies, gaining valuable insights into examiner perspectives that now enhance client advocacy
 - Examined applications in paper making and fiber liberation technologies, including:
 - US 7198695 B2: Method for separating hemicelluloses from a biomass containing hemicelluloses and biomass and hemicelluloses obtained by said method
 - US 7141139 B2: Multiple cleaning stages with various dilution points and accepts recirculated through a common pipe
 - US 7115187 B1: Method and device for continually producing a suspension of cellulose in an aqueous amine oxide
 - US 7097738 B2: Process for producing pulp
 - US 7077931 B2: Method and bleaching line with a main conduit for wash liquor
 - US 6966970 B2: Method for supplying washing liquid to a process for cooking cellulose pulp
- Mastered USPTO procedures, enabling more effective patent drafting and prosecution strategies for clients

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- League of Women Voters of Loudoun County, Virginia
- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)

HONORS & AWARDS

- DBL Excellence Award, Dunlap Bennett & Ludwig (2022)

