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## TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Biotechnology  
Chemistry  
Materials Science  
Mechanical

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## LEGAL SERVICES

Patents  
Trademarks  
Copyright  
Industrial Designs  
IP Transactions & Licensing  
Strategic IP Counselling & Portfolio Management

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## EDUCATION

B.Sc. (Microbiology Immunology),  
University of British Columbia, 1998  
LLB, University of British Columbia,  
2003

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## BAR LOCATIONS

Called to the British Columbia Bar,  
2004  
Registered Patent Agent (CA & US)  
Registered Trademark Agent (CA & US)

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## DAVID H. TAKAGAWA\*

Partner | B.Sc. (Microbiology)

David assists clients to protect their valuable innovations with practical, strategic advice. He has over 20 years of experience in obtaining domestic and foreign patent protection for his clients and managing their patent portfolios. His patent practice includes the life sciences, renewable energy, agriculture, lighting, construction, and general mechanical inventions. Clients also seek his advice on intellectual property transfers, as well as protection of trademarks and designs.

David was an adjunct professor at the University of British Columbia where he taught trademarks law from 2013 to 2018. David has contributed to his profession by serving on numerous committees of the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada, as well as presenting to fellow legal professionals on various intellectual property topics through the Continuing Legal Education Society of B.C. Before his law career, David worked at local and global biotechnology companies where his research spanned from peptide antibiotics to lipid regulating therapeutics. David finished among the top ten students in his law school graduating class, and later served as a law clerk at the British Columbia Court of Appeal.

## REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Patent counsel to a local biotechnology from the development to sale of its IP portfolio relating to a novel therapeutic to a multinational pharmaceutical company.
- Patent and Design counsel to a local lighting technology company from the development to sale of its IP portfolio relating to novel LED luminaire technologies and designs to a multinational lighting products company.

- › Patent and trademark counsel to a rapidly expanding local agricultural chemicals company
- › Trademark counsel to local commercial and residential property developers.

## EVENTS/SPEAKING

- › Start Smart with Oyen Wiggs and Small Business BC  
*March 22, 2017*
- › Start Smart with Oyen Wiggs and Small Business BC  
*February 22, 2017*
- › “Trademarks, Copyright, Patents and More”, Small Business BC, Vancouver  
*September 23, 2016*
- › “Intellectual Property Fundamentals”, Small Business BC, Vancouver  
*November 20, 2015*
- › “Intangible Business Assets – Protecting & Using Patents & Designs”, CLE-TV, Vancouver  
*October 27, 2015*
- › “Business Basics, Intellectual Property”, Continuing Legal Education BC, Vancouver  
*October 3, 2013*

## ASSOCIATIONS

- › Law Society of British Columbia
- › Canadian Bar Association
- › Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC)

## PUBLICATIONS

- › Trade Secrets 101
- › Is a Marijuana IP Gold Rush Coming to Canada?
- › GPPH: More Than a Two Lane (Patent Prosecution) Highway
- › New top-level domains are coming to a browser near you – how to



protect your trademark in view of these changes

- › It Just Keeps Getting Harder: Pfizer Faces Further Challenges after its Viagra™ Patent Invalidation
- › International Trademark Registrations Under the Madrid Protocol
- › Choosing a new trademark: It's all about being distinctive, distinctive, distinctive!
- › Apple v. Samsung and the importance of design registration
- › Prometheus v. Mayo: A Setback for Diagnostic Method Patents in the US?
- › Invention disclosure and patent grace periods: How disclosing your invention before filing a patent application can severely limit your ability to obtain a patent

