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TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Biotechnology
Chemistry
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LEGAL SERVICES

Patents
Trademarks
Copyright
Industrial Designs
IP Litigation
IP Transactions & Licensing
Strategic IP Counselling & Portfolio Management
Domain Names & Internet Law
Trade Secrets & Unfair Competition

EDUCATION

B.Sc. (Biochemistry), Queen's University, 2006
M.Sc. (Chemistry), Queen's University, 2008
J.D., University of British Columbia, 2012

BAR LOCATIONS

Called to the British Columbia Bar, 2013
Registered Patent Agent (CA & US)
Registered Trademark Agent (CA & US)

STEPHANIE A. MELNYCHUK

Associate | **M.Sc. (Chemistry)**

Stephanie Melnychuk assists clients with all aspects of identifying, protecting, and benefiting from their intellectual property, with a particular emphasis on prosecuting patent applications in the chemical, clean technologies, pharmaceutical, biotechnology, and medical device fields. She has experience in preparing and prosecuting domestic and foreign patent applications, industrial design applications, and trademark applications. Stephanie is a registered Canadian patent and trademark agent and is registered to represent Canadian residents before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Stephanie represents a broad client base ranging from startup companies to universities and international corporations. She is passionate about obtaining the most strategic intellectual property protection for her clients. She enjoys working for startup companies who require creative intellectual property for a host of technologies, including: sporting goods, apparel, medical devices, pharmaceutical and veterinary products, chemical processes, pesticides, and many others.

Stephanie is a graduate from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario with a Bachelor of Science Degree with Honours in Biochemistry (2008) and a Master of Science Degree in Chemistry (2012). Stephanie specialized in Physical Organic Chemistry. Her research was primarily focused on the metal-catalyzed decontamination of chemical warfare agents and the decomposition of oligonucleotides and RNA and DNA models. She has co-authored and published several academic papers in peer reviewed journals on those topics.

Stephanie currently serves as an adjunct professor at the Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia, where she lectures on trademark law.

EVENTS/SPEAKING

- › Intellectual Property Workshop with Small Business BC
November 8, 2018
- › Start Smart with Oyen Wiggs & Small Business BC
August 15, 2018
- › 3 Tips for Wellness at Your Desk – Tips for Busy Lawyers
June 26, 2018
- › Intellectual Property Workshop with Small Business BC
June 8, 2018
- › Wellness at Your Desk: Mental and Physical Health Tips for Busy Lawyers (webinar)
March 22, 2018
- › CBA WEST 2017 CONFERENCE – The Supple Lawyer: Tools for Reclaiming Health and Mobility from a Deskbound Occupation
November 17, 2017
- › CBA WEST 2017 CONFERENCE
November 17, 2017
- › Start Smart with Oyen Wiggs and Small Business BC
October 18, 2017
- › Intellectual Property Workshop with Small Business BC
October 6, 2017
- › CBA Solutions Series 2017 Webinar: Wellness At Your Desk: Physical and Mental Health Tips for Busy Lawyers
September 12, 2017
- › Start Smart with Oyen Wiggs and Small Business BC
August 16, 2017
- › Intellectual Property Workshop with Small Business BC
June 16, 2017
- › Patent Primer for the Life Sciences: Patent Disclosure Requirements
June 8, 2017
- › Intellectual Property Workshop with Small Business BC
March 24, 2017
- › 13th Global Conference on Environmental Taxation, Prediction



ASSOCIATIONS

- › Law Society of British Columbia
- › Canadian Bar Association
- › Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC)
- › Chair of the Canadian Bar Association (BC Branch), Intellectual Property and Technology Section
- › Intellectual Property of Canada Life Sciences Committee
- › International Trademark Association Public and Media Relations Committee (INTA)
- › Intellectual Property Owners Women in IP Law Committee

PUBLICATIONS

- › Place Names and Trademarks – the Dangers of Naming Your Business After Its Location
- › Rest and Recovery to Improve Mental Performance and Manage Stress
- › Top Reasons to File in Canada
- › The Legal Implications of the “IRONMAN” Tattoo
- › Wellness At Your Desk: Strategies for Reducing Stress and Improving Productivity
- › Celebrate Canada’s 150th Birthday with the Official Mark
- › 5 Tips for Protecting your Startup’s Intellectual Property
- › How Competition Law Intersects with Intellectual Property and What You Should Know
- › Registrability of Geographical Place Names as Trademarks in Canada
- › Offensive Trademarks as Free Speech: a Canadian Perspective
- › GPPH: More Than a Two Lane (Patent Prosecution) Highway
- › Canadian Federal Courts Consider When “Prior Use” Invalidates a Patent



- › New top-level domains are coming to a browser near you – how to protect your trademark in view of these changes
- › From purple candy bar wrappers to red sole shoes: the increasing commercial significance of colour marks
- › “Drug Dosage Regimes and Patent-Eligible Subject Matter in Canada” published in the Canadian Intellectual Property Review in 2013
- › “Registrability of Geographical Place Names as Trademarks in Canada” published in the IPO Law Journal in April, 2016

