



Helping companies build, protect and commercialize breakthrough life science innovations

A changing health care environment, the entrance of generic competition, increased regulation – Life Sciences companies need experienced and strategic legal counsel more than ever to protect their innovations.

Lee & Hayes' Life Sciences attorneys are registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). We have worked as former USPTO patent examiners, held positions as in-house counsel and conducted research at institutions such as Los Alamos National Laboratory, the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, University of Washington and Seattle Children's Hospital, among others. Our Corporate, Government Relations and Litigation practices provide related counsel within the general business, regulatory and litigation arenas on both a national and global scale.

Many of us hold advanced degrees, allowing us to provide legal and technical counsel to clients working with biotechnology, genetics, immunology, microbiology, pharmaceuticals, organic and inorganic chemical compounds, chemical engineering, medical devices and bioinformatics. We work with clients to develop long-term IP strategies that align with their business goals and add value by assessing the potential worth of IP portfolios and offering guidance in obtaining additional protection through patent preparation and prosecution, licensing and acquisition. We also work to avoid litigation, not just prepare for it.

We support the IP needs of premier research and commercialization organizations, such as universities and research institutes; startups; emerging growth companies; multi-national companies; and private equity and venture capital investors.



Representative technologies we have experience with include:

- Therapeutics and vaccines (e.g., cancer, auto-immune disease, chronic pain, wound healing, obesity, diabetes);
- Small molecule and protein antibacterial and antiviral compounds;
- Diagnostics and risk detection (e.g., cancer, obstetrical complications, microbiome perturbations, in-field assays);
- Delivery systems (e.g., formulations, carriers, nanoparticles, intravenous delivery devices, blood-brain barrier crossing delivery techniques);
- Medical Devices (e.g., cardiac resynchronization devices, stents, physiological monitoring devices, surgical training devices);
- Methods of detecting targets for therapeutic intervention; and
- Health-related technologies (e.g., dietary supplements, exercise devices and programs).

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