Honigman’s Patent practice is a group of attorneys with extensive experience, specific technical knowledge, and years of industry involvement. The majority of our team possesses advanced technical degrees, hands-on experience as research scientists or engineers, and/or backgrounds in-house at global corporations across a range of industries. Our lawyers and patent agents are trusted partners who work hand-in-hand with our clients to design, execute, and enhance patent portfolios in a straightforward, comprehensive, and cost-efficient manner. We assist our clients in maximizing business competitiveness by securing and safeguarding commercially relevant patents that coincide with their business goals.

The distinctive hallmark of our Patent practice is that we anticipate and understand technical and legal developments across the United States and abroad and thereby are able to plan the most effective business strategies to maximize patent life cycles in relevant markets.

Our Patent practice group attorneys represent clients ranging from Fortune 100 companies to start-ups, universities, and independent inventors across the U.S., with particular technical strengths in the software, electrical, mechanical, and chemical areas, as well as in the life sciences industry.

Our services include:

**Patent Preparation and Prosecution**

- Patent portfolio strategy and management in the U.S. and worldwide
- Established track record in preparing and procuring medical, chemical, biotech, computer, electrical, and mechanical patents
- Post-allowance patent practice (oppositions, patent term adjustments, and patent term extensions)

**Consulting and Opinions**

- Patent opinions (validity, freedom-to-operate, and infringement)
- Patent due diligence in the context of product development, patent enforcement, and corporate transaction
- Competitor intelligence (competitor review and monitoring)
Licensing and Transactional Matters

- Patent licensing
- Patent aspects of research and development agreements
- University and government licensing
- Patent aspects of mergers and acquisitions

Technical Strengths

Honigman is particularly known for its technical strength in the life sciences, software, electrical, mechanical, and chemical industries. Our intimate knowledge of these industries is derived from having technical and in-house experience with leading pharmaceutical, medical device, chemical, and biotechnology companies as well as experience working with individuals working on advanced research, technologies, and processes to secure protections and to ensure the global marketability of their work product.

Honigman’s intellectual property attorneys help clients protect and defend mission-critical assets, as well as help position our clients to competitive advantage in the global marketplace. Our work in the life sciences spans a wide range of applications and disciplines—from pharmaceuticals, medical devices, and medical imaging to treatment protocols, genetics, stem cell research, vaccines, and more.

We possess particular strengths in the following areas:

**Life Sciences**

- Medical devices
- Medical imaging

**Pharmaceuticals**

- Compositions of matter
- Small molecules
- Biologics
- Solid forms
- Drug combinations
- Bioactive metabolites
- Pharmaceutical formulations
- Treatment methods
- Synthetic processes
- Diagnostic kits

**Biology**

- Cell and molecular
- Gene therapy
Genomics
Stem cell technology

Mechanical
Automotive components
Mechanical devices

Electrical
Communication systems
Compilers
Data storage systems
Sensor systems

Robotics
Artificial intelligence systems
Behavioral systems
Sensor systems

Software
Analytics and algorithms
Cloud computing
Internet applications

Chemical
Electrochemistry
Process chemistry
Analytical chemistry

Material Science
Batteries

RNA interference
Footwear and apparel
Optical systems
Memory systems
Mobile and telecommunications
Networking systems
Semiconductors
Autonomous and semi-autonomous navigation
Mobility platforms
Vision systems
Augmented reality
Enterprise software solutions
Mobile applications
Electroplating
Solid state chemistry
Polymers
Fuel cells
Nanotechnology