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Ryann H. Beck is a registered patent attorney and non-equity partner at Andrus Intellectual Property Law.

Ryann has a diverse range of experience relating to intellectual property matters, including domestic and international patent and trademark prosecution and enforcement.

Ryann regularly counsels clients regarding patentability, patent validity, and patent infringement, and works on related opinion matters. She has experience prosecuting patents relating to a variety of technology areas, including medical devices, medical patient monitoring and treatment technologies, computer software, electrical and electronic circuits and systems, as well as mechanical devices.

In addition, Ryann represents clients in proceedings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, including in patent post-grant proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) and trademark opposition and cancellation proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board (TTAB). Ryann also has experience in patent and trademark litigation at both the district and appellate court levels, having assisted clients through all phases of litigation, including pre-filing investigations and analysis, drafting of complaints and answers, discovery, claim construction, motions practice, summary judgment, trial, post-trial motion practice, and appellate court proceedings. In addition, Ryann counsels clients through the negotiations process of settlement agreements, licenses, co-existence agreements, and the like.

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Education and Engineering Experience

Ryann joined the firm in July 2010 after receiving her juris doctor degree from Marquette University Law School (*cum laude*). While at Marquette, Ryann was a member of the Intellectual Property Law Review and the Intellectual Property Moot Court Team, and also served as President of the International Law Society. Ryann is the author of a law review article regarding international intellectual property issues facing farmers, titled "Farmers' Rights and Open Source Licensing," which published in the Spring 2011 edition of the *Arizona Journal of Environmental Law and Policy*.

Prior to attending law school, Ryann earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from The Georgia Institute of Technology (2003). As an engineer, Ryann worked for more than four years in the area of bio-signal processing, first as an intern at NASA Johnson Space Center and then as a neural signal analyst at Impulse Monitoring, Inc.

Honors and Admissions

Ryann was selected for inclusion in Thomson Reuters' 2015 Super Lawyers - Rising Stars list in the field of intellectual property law.

Ryann is admitted to practice law before the Supreme Court of Wisconsin, the U.S. District Courts for the Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the Wisconsin and Milwaukee Bar Associations, and the Wisconsin Intellectual Property Law Association.

Community Involvement

Ryann has served as a coach to several Moot Court teams at Marquette University Law School and is an active volunteer with the College and Career Readiness Program at the PEARLS for Teen Girls, Inc. non-profit organization. Ryann also serves as a mentor to local-area high school students interested in pursuing a career in the law through the Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association Mentorship Program.

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Representative Cases:

- *HAMILTON COMPANY, et al. v. University of Virginia Patent Foundation*, IPR Nos. 2014-01054, 2014-01058, 2014-01060, 2014-01062 (PTAB). Represented petitioner Hamilton Storage in instituting inter partes review of four patents that were asserted against Hamilton by the University of Virginia Patent Foundation. Case was settled and dismissed prior to a ruling by the PTAB.
- *University of Virginia Patent Foundation v. HAMILTON COMPANY, et al.*, No. 3:13-cv-00033-NKM-RSB (W.D. Va.). Represented defendant Hamilton Storage in patent litigation resulting in settlement.
- *Schwing BioSet, Inc. v. Pumpaction Corporation, et al.*, No. 1:12-cv-01234-RJA-HKS (W.D.N.Y.). Represented defendants Pumpaction Corporation, Falleson Associates, Inc. and Blue Heron Construction Company, LLC in patent litigation that resulted in settlement.
- *THE SPEARMINT RHINO COMPANIES WORLDWIDE, INC. v. Cuginos Entertainment, LLC*, 2:12-cv-00866-CNC (E.D. Wis.). Represented Spearmint Rhino in trademark infringement case that the parties settled.
- *Generac Power Systems, Inc. v. Kohler Company and TOTAL ENERGY SYSTEMS LLC*, No. 2:11-cv-01120-JPS (E.D. Wis.), Appellate Case No. 13-1311 (Fed. Cir.). Represented prevailing defendant Total Energy Systems, LLC in patent infringement jury trial before Hon. J.P. Stadtmueller and the subsequent appeal.
- *NATIONAL PASTEURIZED EGGS, INC., et al. v. Michael Foods, Inc., et al.*, Nos. 3:10-cv-00646-WMC and 3:11-cv-00534-WMC (W.D. Wis.). Represented prevailing party National Pasteurized Eggs ("NPE") in patent case before Hon. William M. Conley.