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Bill brings a unique combination of technical, business, and litigation experience to his life sciences patent practice. As an experienced molecular biologist, Bill's technical experience covers a number of scientific fields including synthetic biology, genome engineering, molecular biology, neuroscience, immunology, antibody engineering, genetics, and bioenergy. His doctoral research at MIT focused on the molecular mechanisms underlying synaptic transmission. Results from his work have appeared in several scientific journals, including the *Journal of Cell Biology*, *PNAS*, *Neuron*, and *Science*.

Bill has also worked as both a scientist and business development manager in the biotechnology industry. After graduate school, Bill worked at an early-stage synthetic biology company focused on commercializing small and large synthetic DNA constructs, therapeutic antibodies, biobased industrial chemicals, and biofuels.

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