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Chris is a senior partner in the firm's Intellectual Property practice group who helps large companies secure, protect and enforce intellectual property rights.

With an emphasis in medical device, chemical and biochemical patent preparation and prosecution, Chris counsels clients on freedom-to-operate issues, patent infringement issues, patentability and other due diligence issues.

He also prepares noninfringement and invalidity opinions. Chris is actively involved in working with clients in numerous post grant review matters, including a number of reexamination matters and *Inter Partes* reviews.

Chris' experience involves a variety of subject matters, such as small molecule design and development, and pharmaceuticals related to kidney disease, pain treatments, high cholesterol and cancer; medical devices and related manufacturing processes for cardiology and vascular access products; implantable cardiac devices; herbicide-tolerant crops; herbicides; fungicides; pesticides; antibodies; vaccines; pediatric and adult nutritional; polymeric materials; gene sequencing; and electrochemistry.

EDUCATION

- Saint Louis University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1995)
- Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville (M.S., 1992)
 - Chemistry (Biochemistry)
- Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville (B.S., 1991)
 - Chemistry

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- The Missouri Bar
- Illinois State Bar Association
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Armstrong Teasdale Executive Committee

ACCOLADES

- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers in Business* for Intellectual Property (2012-present), Band 1 (2018-present)

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Intellectual Property
Intellectual Property Litigation
Post Grant Proceedings
Patent
Technology
Manufacturing and Innovation
Health Care and Life Sciences

ADMISSIONS

Missouri
Illinois
U.S. Patent and Trademark
Office

- *The Best Lawyers in America*[®]; Patent Law (2011-present)

EXPERIENCE

EPA Clearance for Large, Global Chemical Producer

Managed multiple EPA clearance searches and analyses for one of the largest international chemical producers in the world.

IP Due Diligence Review for Billion-Dollar Fragrance, Flavors Company

Managed large IP due diligence review for a billion-dollar fragrance and flavors company leading up to a significant acquisition.

Managed International Patent Portfolio for Health Care Company

Managed U.S. and international patent portfolio related to heart pumps, cardiac catheters, electrocardiograms, heart mapping, heart monitoring and ablation therapy technologies.

Management of U.S. and Foreign Patent Families for Major Medical Device Companies

Managed multiple U.S. and foreign patent families and provided strategic counsel for medical device companies involving technologies related to fluorescent imaging, vascular occlusion, neuromodulation, and renal and cardiovascular devices.

Portfolio Management, Strategic Direction for Multiple Consumer Products, Health Care Companies

Managed global patent portfolios for and provided strategic counsel to multimillion-dollar consumer products and health care companies in the U.S. and abroad, including preparation and prosecution, opinion work, *Inter Partes* Review work and litigation.

Successful Chemical Plant Clearance

Cleared all chemical engineering processes and related products for a major chemical plant in the U.S. for one of the largest international chemical producers in the world.

U.S. National Applications for Multibillion-Dollar Foreign Clients

Managed the filing and prosecution of extensive U.S. National (371) applications for a number of multibillion-dollar foreign clients. Armstrong Teasdale represents clients based in China, Japan, Singapore, the United Kingdom, Germany, Australia and many other countries.

IP Due Diligence in \$3.4 Billion Acquisition of Medical Device Manufacturer

Led IP due diligence for a major medical device company, including in-depth research and analysis of both the target company and its competitors, resulting in our client's decision to move ahead with its \$3.4 billion acquisition of a medical device manufacturer.

Successful Product Clearance in China, India and Indonesia

Cleared an entire consumer product line in China, India and Indonesia for one of the largest food companies in the world.