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OVERVIEW

Sydney brings an engineer's exacting eye for detail to her work on intellectual property matters for clients.

A licensed professional electrical engineer, Sydney works closely with clients who look to her to handle the technical details associated with the work required to meet their business goals. She works on a variety of transactional matters, including drafting and prosecuting patent applications, registration of trademarks and copyrights, developing artificial intelligence policies, music-licensing, IP due diligence reviews, and preliminary enforcement measures. She brings a collaborative approach to protecting clients' intellectual property, while also providing research and support for complex patentability and clearance analyses.

Sydney works on a wide range of technologies including software applications, artificial intelligence-based solutions, robotics, scanning technologies, medical devices, data processing techniques, lighting systems, communications protocols, image processing, aquatic systems, industrial equipment, agricultural equipment, electronics, food processing systems, digital mental health innovations, jewelry, and clothing. She is also highly knowledgeable in Open Source Software (OSS) licensing and frequently counsels clients on developing and implementing OSS policies, integrating OSS components into commercial products, and enforcement issues.

Clients value Sydney's professional background, particularly her time working in the natural gas industry and in commercial lighting and power design. While earning her master's degree, she managed the installation of the largest liquefied natural gas (LNG)

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Technology Commercialization
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power generation system in gas processing in the world at time of completion. She also engineered complex energy efficient lighting and power design systems, working closely with clients to help stretch their project budget and anticipating evolving demands, all without compromising specification quality or project logistics.

Sydney enjoys working with attorneys who emphasize the importance of client-focused solutions and is particularly inspired by Husch Blackwell's commitment to legal excellence and client success. She finds encouragement in Husch Blackwell's team-oriented culture and its mentoring program, noting that attorneys at all levels are invested in the growth of younger colleagues. She also enjoys pro bono work with Lawyers for Creative Arts and Communities for Change through the firm's robust Pro Bono initiative. Sydney maintains a closely held connection to her engineering alma mater by serving as an adjunct professor to law students and non-traditional engineering students.

Experience

- Assisted in the research and support of the most recent edition of the Patent Jury Instruction Handbook from Thomson Reuters.
- Counseled multiple clients, from a global manufacturing leader to a software entrepreneur, on integrating open source software for innovative new technologies, and other license compliance issues.
- Facilitated an interactive brainstorming session with a large industrial client to help foster innovation, develop additional research goals, and identify patentable subject matter.

Education

- J.D., University of Oklahoma College of Law
 - with honors
 - Organization for the Advancement of Women in Law Mentor
- M.S., University of Oklahoma Gallogly College of Engineering
 - Electrical Engineering
- B.S., University of Oklahoma Gallogly College of Engineering
 - Electrical and Computer Engineering
 - with distinction
 - Distinguished Mentor in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Admissions

- Illinois
- Oklahoma
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

Community Leadership

- University of Oklahoma College of Law and College of Engineering, volunteer, student mentor and guest speaker

*Contact Sydney to set up an in-person consultation by appointment in the Chicago office.



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