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Rachel Lin Chen is counsel in the Firm's Intellectual Property Practice. She strategically advises clients on patents, trade secrets, and trademarks with their business goals in mind.

With a background in chemical engineering, Rachel leverages her technical knowledge to handle procurement and management of patents and trademarks in the fields of cosmetics, consumer products, diagnostic imaging, pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, medical devices, and chemical compositions and processes.

Proficient in French and Mandarin Chinese, Rachel provides guidance on protecting global intellectual property rights for clients. She also counsels and provides opinions, freedom-to-operate analyses, due diligence, strategy, and intellectual property agreements in connection with mergers and acquisitions. In addition, Rachel has experience in pharmaceutical and Hatch-Waxman litigation.

From 2012 to 2023, Rachel was an adjunct professor at Fordham University School of Law, supervising patent prosecution strategy and client counseling in the Samuelson-Glushko Intellectual Property and Information Law Clinic.

Prior to joining the Firm, Rachel was a patent attorney at Colgate-Palmolive Company, where she managed and supported the global patent portfolio for the personal care and home care divisions.

Education

- Princeton University (B.S.E.)
 - Chemical Engineering
- Tulane University Law School (J.D.)

Bar Admissions

- New York
- U.S. Supreme Court

Related Services

- Intellectual Property
- Life Sciences
- Patent Prosecution & Litigation
- International

- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit

Languages

- Mandarin Chinese
- French

Professional Affiliations

- New York Intellectual Property Association
- New York City Bar Association
- New York State Bar Association
- American Institute of Chemical Engineers
- Catholic Lawyers Guild
- Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM)

Community Involvement

- Junior League of Bronxville

Articles

- Reforming Litigation Practices and Strategies," *NYIPLA Bulletin*; 2011

Insights

February 6, 2026

Technology Transfer Tips

May 12, 2021

Biden Administration Announces Support of Temporary Waiver on Intellectual Property Protections on COVID-19 Vaccines

August 24, 2020

COVID-19 and Considerations for March-In Rights and Compulsory Licenses

May 14, 2020

Prioritized Examination for Certain COVID-19 Related Patent Applications

April 2, 2020

Law Brief Podcast: Rachel Lin and Rich Schoenstein Explore Patenting Natural Ingredients

May 16, 2019

Natural Ingredients May Be Patentable – No Heavy Lifting Required

January 11, 2018

State University's Filing of Patent Infringement Action Waives Sovereign Immunity to IPR Proceedings

May 30, 2017

U.S. Supreme Court Seriously Limits Forum Shopping for Patent Litigation in Unanimous Decision

May 24, 2017

Quantity - Not Quality - Counts for Patent Infringement: More Than One Component of an Invention Must be Supplied for Patent Infringement

May 26, 2015

Legal Alert: Alice Corp. v. CLS Bank's Effect on Business Method Patent

April 29, 2015

Legal Alert: .SUCKS is Here: Can Your Brand Be Protected?

April 9, 2015

Legal Alert: A New System For International Design Protection

March 13, 2015

Beware of the Boilerplate Series: "Defend, Indemnify and Hold Harmless"

October 16, 2014

Beware of the Boilerplate Series: Defining Confidential Information

July 29, 2014

Beware of the Boilerplate Series: Limitation of Liability

March 28, 2014

Beware the Boilerplate Series: Always Define the Meaning of "Intellectual Property"