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Chris Roberge focuses his practice on patent prosecution and counseling. Chris is also a scientist and engineer with more than 20 years of research and development experience in biotechnology, chemistry, pharmaceuticals, and biofuels.

Prior becoming an associate, Chris worked with the firm as a patent agent.

Before launching his legal career, Chris was a Principal Scientist at BP Biofuels in Berkeley, California. There he managed interdisciplinary research collaborations with BP's Energy Biosciences Institute partners—the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign—in projects related to biofuel production, biomass depolymerization, agricultural feedstock development, fossil fuel bioprocessing, and regulation. Previously, Chris worked as a Senior Research Chemist at Merck Research Laboratories in Rahway, New Jersey, where he rapidly identified, developed, and implemented biocatalytic processes for the asymmetric production of small molecule drug candidates.

Chris is the primary author of five and co-author of ten peer-reviewed journal articles and book chapters. He is a co-inventor of six issued patents and a presenter at multiple professional conferences.

Education

University of California, Berkeley, School of Law J.D. (2022) Jurisprudence Award in PTAB and ITC Patent Litigation (2021), Class of 2022 Hyundai Scholar (2019)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology Ph.D., Chemical Engineering (2005)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology B.S., Chemical Engineering (1993)

Admissions

California (2022)

Court Admissions

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (2015)

Professional & Community Activities

Patent Law Society of Berkeley Law, Vice President (2020-2021)

Berkeley Technology Law Journal, Member (2019)

Merck Employee Center for Young Children, Inc., Board Member (2005-2009)

The Tech at MIT, Arts Editor (1991-1993)