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Cindy is a registered patent attorney on the electronics and software team at Kilpatrick. Prior to joining the firm, Cindy worked for nine years as a Real Time Software Engineer at The Boeing Company where she worked for domestic and foreign customers implementing data link military standard protocols for airborne command and control platforms. During her years as a software engineer, she became a subject matter expert with respect to a variety of message functionality and gained experience in all stages of software development efforts, including requirements definition, design, implementation, testing, integration, and support.

Cindy leverages her software background to aid her patent preparation and prosecution practice. Cindy practices in a wide range of technologies including computer software and hardware, robotics, networking, cloud computing, predictive modeling and analytics, machine learning, drone technology, internet of things, autonomous vehicles and navigation systems, obstacle detection and avoidance, communications protocols, authentication and authorization systems, token management, blockchain technology, payment systems, search query algorithms, content management, marketing systems, and user interfaces, among others.

Cindy counsels corporations as well as startups and solo inventors. She is known to have effective interpersonal and interviewing skills. She is comfortable discussing complex technological details with inventors and examiners alike. She draws from her past life as a software engineer when drafting, which provides her the ability to accurately describe complex technical details with minimal input.

Cindy volunteers for a number of good causes, but currently volunteers regularly with the Northwest Immigration Rights Project drafting U-Visa applications for immigrants who have been the victims of crime.

Cindy was recognized in 2025 and 2026 as one of the "Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch" for Patent Law by *The Best Lawyers in America*®.

Education

Seattle University School of Law J.D. (2011)

Western Washington University B.S. (2002) Computer Science

Admissions

Washington (2012)

Court Admissions

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (2014)

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