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Megan Wood is an intellectual property trial lawyer who is dedicated to protecting clients' novel ideas and innovation. She has successfully represented both plaintiffs and defendants in Federal Court, before the International Trade Commission, and before the USPTO from a case's inception through jury trial, and on appeal. Megan has also secured favorable settlements and license agreements on behalf of firm clients. Her practice focuses on a wide range of technologies, including oil and gas, electronic devices, medical devices, mechanical products, and chemicals.

Megan has worked as a trusted secondment for a firm client. This experience gives her a unique in-house perspective that allows her to better understand and advise clients on their business needs and adversarial matters. In addition to her litigation practice, Megan also advises clients on IP due diligence in support of corporate mergers and acquisitions, and has successfully prosecuted numerous patent applications for clients in the electrical, chemical, and medical device fields.

Prior to joining private practice, Megan served as a judicial intern for the Honorable James J. Fitzgerald III, Appellate Judge of the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. She also worked as a mechanical engineer at Lockheed Martin in a research and technology group. Megan earned a B.S. in Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering from Johns Hopkins University, with a concentration in nanotechnology and interfaces.

In recognition of her achievements and successes, the firm elected Megan to participate in the 2022 Leadership Counsel on Legal Diversity ("LCLD") Fellows Program, which is a program designed to recognize diverse, high potential, midcareer attorneys. Megan also previously served as a 2017 LCLD Pathfinder. Within Blank Rome, Megan sits on the firm's Technology Committee and Artificial Intelligence Task Force and is the co-chair of the firm's Latinx affinity group. For a decade, Megan has co-authored a chapter entitled "Nondiscovery Motions and Court-Initiated Procedures," published in *PLI Patent Litigation* annually.

Select Engagements

- Second chair trial counsel for Plaintiffs in a patent infringement action involving medical devices before the International Trade Commission. Secured favorable initial determination of violation of importation act for clients.
- Litigation counsel for Defendant in a patent infringement action involving kitchen appliance. Case successfully transferred to Iowa and Plaintiff was sanctioned for maintaining lawsuit in W.D. Texas.
- Trial counsel for Plaintiffs in two separate patent infringement actions involving downhole tools used in drilling and completing oil and gas wells (W.D. Tex.). Secured two jury verdicts in favor of clients in the same year.
- Defended client's patent relating to mobile robotic vehicles against two IPR petitions. The USPTO denied institution of both IPRs.
- Assisted trial counsel in patent infringement action involving home office software applications (N.D. Cal.). Jury verdict finding in favor of client.
- Represented plaintiff producers of foam in price-fixing antitrust litigation (D. N.J.) that resulted in favorable settlement during trial for clients of \$400 million.

Admissions

- District of Columbia
- New York
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- United States Court of Federal Claims

Education

- Johns Hopkins University, BS
- Villanova University School of Law, JD, magna cum laude, Order of the Coif

Recognitions

- 2024, Ones to Watch, Litigation Patent, listed in Best Lawyers in America©
- 2018, listed in Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll

Professional Activities

Megan was selected as a 2022 Fellow for the Fellows Program and 2017 Pathfinder for the Pathfinders Program of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, which are

programs designed to recognize diverse, high potential, attorneys.