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Ellen is a patent attorney at Quinn IP Law whose extensive background in engineering and supply chain management gives her an invaluable perspective on her clients' business and legal challenges. Ellen was drawn to her profession out of a desire to help others, and is therefore continuously looking for the best approaches to protecting clients' intellectual property. Her broad technical background and manufacturing engineering experience allows her to build strong rapport with both executives and the inventors behind the innovations she protects, and she sees her mission as helping move technological development forward for the betterment of society. Ellen specializes in researching, preparing, and prosecuting patent applications, and has worked on patents for diverse chemical and mechanical technologies such as lithium ion batteries, shape memory alloys, automotive and industrial coatings, polyurethane foams and components, polymers, friction materials, electric motors, automotive components, sporting equipment, and food products. She also provides a full range of intellectual property law services including consultation regarding infringement, validity, and design-around alternatives.

Prior to joining Quinn IP Law, Ellen worked in polyol, aniline, and automotive coatings manufacturing plants as an engineer with BASF Corporation. During her engineering career, Ellen managed initiatives including the installation of differential pressure transmitters in an aniline reactor system to optimize chemical plant performance, and the redesign of an automotive paint supply chain to reduce transportation costs and improve workflow processes. As an engineer, Ellen also held the APICS Certified in Production and Inventory Management (CPIM) credential. Ellen began her law career at a law firm in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, where she practiced intellectual property law with a focus on patent application preparation and prosecution. Additionally, Ellen is the co-owner of a residential homebuilding company and collaborates with architects, skilled tradespeople, realtors, and banks to help clients construct their dream homes.

Ellen holds a Bachelor of Science in Engineering in Chemical Engineering from the University of Michigan, where she graduated *magna cum laude*, and a Juris Doctor from Wayne State University Law School, where she was named a David Adamany Constitutional Law Scholar. She is admitted to the State Bar of Michigan and is registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. She is also a member of the Michigan Intellectual Property Law Association and the International Trademark Association.

Practice Areas

Patent Procurement, Prosecution, and Maintenance
Patent Enforcement
Patent Portfolio Management
Technical Design and Consulting
Trademark Selection and Registration

Technical Areas

Automotive, Aerospace & Transportation
Chemical & Chemistry Sciences
Clean & Green Technology
Consumer Goods
Industrial, Manufacturing & Materials Science

Education

J.D., Wayne State University Law School
B.S.E., University of Michigan, Chemical Engineering, *magna cum laude*

Awards

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Admissions & Memberships

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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