

PRACTICE AREAS

- Intellectual Property
- Patent
- Trademark & Copyright

EDUCATION

- B.S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, 1986
- M.S., Molecular Immunology, School of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1996
- J.D., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2007

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

- North Carolina, 2007
- United States Patent and Trademark Office, 2001

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Debbly Spencer concentrates her practice in intellectual property with a focus on patent drafting and prosecution. She has significant patent experience and is registered before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

- Ms. Spencer prepares and prosecutes patent applications, and assists clients with patent portfolio management.
- Ms. Spencer's practice also includes assisting clients with licensing, freedom to operate and transactional matters.
- Ms. Spencer's patent practice spans a broad spectrum of technologies, including the biotechnology, bioinformatics, medical device, mechanical, and computer software arts as well as the business method arts.

Prior to law school, Ms. Spencer worked as a research scientist at the University of Virginia, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Glaxo Wellcome, and at a start-up biotechnology company in Research Triangle Park, NC. While at the start-up biotechnology company, Ms. Spencer implemented a novel system for utilizing robotic technology to create a fully automated genetic screening assay for plants. Ms. Spencer additionally worked as a patent agent at the start-up biotechnology company, where she specialized in drafting and prosecuting patents in the biotechnology, bioinformatics, computer software and business method arts.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Bar Association

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