



**Leader of Barnes & Thornburg's Patent Practice Group, Christine McCarthy has extensive experience working in private, government and legal-services sectors. Her globally based and invested clients benefit from her counsel on virtually all aspects of intellectual property in particular, global strategic portfolio procurement and management, standards essential patents and patent licensing.**

Without question, Christine believes that trust is key in the client relationships she establishes and cultivates. Because of that, clients rely on her honesty and tenacity to do her job – protecting their ideas, innovations and creative works – so they can do their jobs building their companies, brands and marketplaces. Her clients value both her candor and collaborative nature in helping determine the most effective and efficient tactics to protect their IP rights.

As her clients' business partner, she focuses on identifying and circumventing the obstacle to IP portfolio growth and process management. With a reputation for identifying strategic solutions to even the most challenging questions, her solutions often solve the client's problem at a reduced cost and time commitment. Her objective is to listen, learn and find the root of the actual issue or what's at stake, and then move toward the appropriate solution.

As an electrical engineer with a focus in physics, Christine primarily concentrates her representations on technology areas of AI, automated driving, electric and personal mobility technology, mobile and telecommunications, wireless infrastructure and applications, software and computer-related inventions, business methods, information technology, financial services, cryptography, semiconductors and additive manufacturing, electronics, bioinformatics, optics, and internet-related, block chain implemented, and e-commerce and m-commerce inventions.

Using her knowledge of environmental engineering, Christine also enjoys helping protect innovations in alternative energy, energy and power-related technologies for further improving energy generation, distribution, and consumption efficiency.

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### EDUCATION

University Of New Mexico School Of Law, (J.D.)

New Mexico State University, (B.S.),  
1993

### BAR ADMISSIONS

District of Columbia

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Virginia

### COURT ADMISSIONS

U.S. District Court for the Eastern  
District of Virginia

U.S. District Court for the Western  
District of Virginia

### LANGUAGES

English

### PRACTICES

Antitrust and Competition Law

Climate Change

Data Security and Privacy

Emerging Companies and Venture  
Capital

European Services

Franchising and Distribution

Intellectual Property

International IP

IP Strategy and Management

Christine's practice focuses on providing strategic counsel for newly formed or acquired companies on market-shifting or highly innovative technologies. Her experience encompasses evaluating, creating and implementing corporate IP programs, conducting IP due diligence and audits in connection with IP portfolio building and inventories, and developing and implementing aggressive patent filing strategies. Christine is also experienced at complex patent prosecution, handling patent enforcement issues including licensing and litigation; negotiating and drafting high-tech agreements relating to patents, know-how and branding; rendering opinions concerning the infringement, validity and enforceability of patents; and handling IP aspects of employment issues.

Christine has particular strength regarding intellectual property and government contracts issues, in particular, with U.S. export-controlled technology, having previously worked in technology transfer with the Department of Energy and Department of Defense. She regularly counsels and represents clients interested in licensing technology to or from the United States government.

Christine publishes and speaks regularly on IP-related subjects to various societies and interested business groups.

## Professional and Community Involvement

Member, American Intellectual Property Lawyers Association

Member, Society of Women Engineers

Member, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

Member IEEE Women in Engineering Society

Member, IEEE Electromagnetic Compatibility Society

Member, IEEE Society on Social Implications of Technology

Licensing

Mergers and Acquisitions - Intellectual Property

Nanotechnology

Opinions

Patent Litigation

Patent Services - Counseling and Prosecution

Post-Grant and Inter Partes Review

Software and Technology Transactions

Technology Transactions

## INDUSTRIES

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