



BIOTECHNOLOGY

Brand Protection

The attorneys and other professionals at Barnes & Thornburg offer a wide range of legal and lobbying services designed to meet the needs of the biotechnology industry. Most of the lawyers in our biotech practice have educational and practical research experience pertinent to the biotechnology industry and many hold advanced degrees in organic chemistry, pharmacology, molecular biology, genetics, immunology and microbiology.

When appropriate, members of the biotech group are teamed with other Barnes & Thornburg lawyers and professionals to ensure that our clients' legal and or business issues are addressed with the benefit of a full understanding of our clients- technology and its status in the marketplace. Our biotech practice offers the capacity to design, develop, and implement legal strategies tailored to your needs for partnering and licensing and for protecting proprietary technologies in the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in the courts and before regulatory agencies.

We speak your scientists' language and understand emerging and established technologies:

- Gene therapy
- Bioinformatics
- Proteomics
- Genomics
- Molecular biology
- Plant and animal genetics
- Pharmaceuticals
- Diagnostic assays

Why Barnes & Thornburg?

Finding new ways to help clients identify solutions and new business opportunities, across industries, is at our core. We are, at times, more than lawyers, we are advisers bringing new ideas to light. We understand what keeps you up at night and work collaboratively to find practical and creative solutions, at the heart of business.

RELATED PRACTICES

Intellectual Property

- Combinatorial chemistry
- Nanotechnology
- Transgenic technology
- Drug discovery
- Medical devices
- Medical imaging and display

When appropriate, we involve lobbyists and lawyers from the firm to create a multidisciplinary team tailored to meet client needs. The team works to produce positive results for our clients through focus, hard work, and relationships with executives and legislatures in both federal and state governments. They have addressed a variety of issues including trade policy, regulatory practices, biotechnology issues, appropriations and tax policy.

Agriculture and Biotech

Barnes & Thornburg's agriculture and biotech clients include large and small multinational companies and universities with intellectual property in agricultural products and methods.

Our attorneys offer the capacity to design, develop and implement comprehensive legal strategies tailored to meet the international intellectual property protection needs of companies and universities. Clients turn to us for assistance with patent prosecution and litigation, business agreements and licensing, regulatory compliance. Our lawyers have educational and practical research experience pertinent to the industry, and many hold advanced degrees in chemistry, biochemistry, genetics, biology and microbiology.

Our international corporate and litigation groups have expertise in enforcing and defending agriculture and biotech intellectual property, breach of contract and warranty claims for antitrust disputes in patent offices, courts, and regulatory agencies.

Intellectual property attorneys, technical assistants, and patent agents collaborate with professionals in other practice groups at Barnes & Thornburg to offer a wide range of legal and lobbying services designed to meet the needs of the agriculture and biotech, or ag-bio, industry. When appropriate, we team with other Barnes & Thornburg lawyers in the corporate and regulatory practice groups to ensure that our clients- legal and business issues are addressed with benefit of a full understanding of our clients- technology and its status in the marketplace.

Members of our firm hold Ph.D. degrees in pertinent technical areas:

- Biology (genetics)
- Chemistry (biochemistry, organics)
- Molecular biology
- Plant and animal breeding and cytogenetics
- Biomedical Sciences (microbiology/immunology)
- Microbiology

Barnes & Thornburg is a member of national organizations focusing on

agriculture and biotech issues. Individual attorneys are active in committees within these organizations, and present at conventions and by means of webinars.
