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EDUCATION

Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law, New York, NY

Juris Doctor with a Concentration in Intellectual Property and Communications Law, June 2010

Honors: Summer 2009 International Corporate & Intellectual Property Fellowship

Thesis: Modeling India's Controversial Patent Law to Improve Access to Medicines in Vietnam

Training: Intensive Trial Advocacy Program; Post-graduate Deposition Skills Training

Study Abroad: Introduction to Law in India, January 2008; Comparative Corporate Governance at Oxford University, August 2008

Drexel University, College of Engineering, Philadelphia, PA

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering, June 2006

Thesis: Biodiesel Production by Base Catalyzed Transesterification of Soybean Oil

EXPERIENCE

American Express, New York, NY

Manager of Intellectual Property Strategy and Legal Affairs, June 2008 – Present

Oversee the performance of licensing and equity deals valued over \$50 million by collaborating with comptrollership, attorneys and the mergers & acquisitions group. Analyze patents and patent applications on business methods, risk management, fraud prevention and payment systems. Interview inventors of internally developed, technology-based business solutions to and manage the subsequent invention disclosure process. Advise business units on the rights and obligations imposed by technology licensing agreements. Evaluate the company's patent portfolio in view of competitors and dominant assignees. Support the development of a technology transfer platform. Promoted from legal intern.

Pham & Associates, Hanoi, Vietnam

Summer Associate and International Legal Practice Intern, June 2009 – August 2009

Drafted trade publication articles explaining recent amendments to Vietnam's intellectual property law. Researched the patent laws of industrially developed nations and presented findings to attorneys and experts. Assisted Vietnamese-English translation of contract terms, technical specifications and correspondence from foreign attorneys. Reviewed foreign clients' contracts and incorporation documents for compliance with Vietnamese law. This internship placement was by application and sponsored by the Center for International Legal Studies. There is no familial relation to the firm.

The Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA

Assistant to the General Counsel, June 2006 – May 2007

Drafted and reviewed cease and desist letters, exhibit licensing agreements and correspondence to outside counsel. Served as liaison to lobbyists, legislative offices and Trustees, supporting the General Counsel's dual role as in-house attorney and Vice President of Development. Also drafted individual solicitations and quarterly revenue reports. Supported consultants in their preparation of a long-range capital campaign.

The National Society of Black Engineers, Philadelphia, PA

Treasurer, National Executive Board (delegation elected), May 2004 – April 2005

Supervised \$8 million budget, world headquarters operations and convention planning for over 10,000 attendees. Worked with consultants and attorneys to purchase and refinance real property, review answers to requests for proposals, draft policy documents and expand the Society internationally. Participated in negotiations for investment agreements, directors' employment contracts and preliminary terms for international expansion.

ADMISSIONS

Admitted to Practice in Patent Cases, United States Patent and Trademark Office

ASSOCIATIONS

Asian Affairs Committee, New York City Bar Association; Intellectual Property Committee, Asian American Bar Association of New York