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Patrick M. Torre is a Patent Attorney in the Intellectual Property & Technology Service Group. His practice focuses on intellectual property protection strategy, including counseling clients on infringement, validity, and patentability, patent drafting, prosecution and appellate proceedings, trademark prosecution, copyright, trade secrets and transfer, and licensing of intellectual property. Pat brings a strong scientific background to his practice, including lab research experience in the areas of nutrition, immunology, biotechnology, and life sciences.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Biotechnology/Life Sciences
- Copyrights
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Patent Prosecution & Protection
- Trademarks

RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

- Served as outside intellectual property counsel for several U.S. universities, private companies, start-ups and early-stage companies, and entrepreneurs.
- Prepared and prosecuted patent applications in a variety of biotechnological, biological, pharmaceutical, computer software, dermatologic, nutraceutical, medical, medical device, and mechanical arts.
- Managed domestic and international patent portfolios and prosecution involving applications and patents in various regions/countries including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Europe, India, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Kentucky
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- In Time for Your Halloween Celebration, A Few Spooky Patents
 Kentucky Intellectual Property Alliance (kyipa.org), October 22, 2024
- USPTO Announced Termination of its After Final Consideration Pilot Program 2.0 Stites & Harbison Client Alert, October 7, 2024
- Protecting Employer Proprietary Information Following the FTC's Ban on Non-Compete Agreements Stites & Harbison Client Alert, June 20, 2024
- Copyright Basics
 Kentucky Intellectual Property Alliance (KYIPA) News, March 1, 2024

- Trade Secrets Basics
 Kentucky Intellectual Property Alliance (KYIPA) News, March 1, 2024
- USPTO Issues Enablement Guidelines Following Amgen v. Sanofi Stites & Harbison Client Alert, January 17, 2024
- Legal Overview of Protecting Client and Business Information
 19th Biennial Business Associations Law Institute, Lexington, KY April 18-19, 2023
- Trademark Law Developments in the Metaverse Stites & Harbison Client Alert, May 3, 2023
- Scammers are Now Impersonating the USPTO: What You Need to Know Stites & Harbison Client Alert, March 6, 2023
- The Twelve Days of I.P. Christmas with Joel T. Beres, Jeffrey A. Haeberlin, James Hayne,
 Thomas J. Mihill (TJ), B. Aaron Schulman, and Gary N. Stewart (Nick) Stites & Harbison Client
 Alert, December 14, 2022
- Metaverse 3D Replicas Spark Open Questions Over IP Protections by Kelcee Griffis, Bloomberg Law, August 15, 2022
- Intellectual Property in the Metaverse Stites & Harbison Client Alert, May 31, 2022
- Recent Patent Program Updates by the United States Patent and Trademark Office Stites & Harbison Client Alert, February 11, 2022
- Stites & Harbison adds four IP attorneys by Haley Cawthon, KYINNO, September 27, 2021
- Stites & Harbison Adds Four IP Attorneys in Kentucky by Adrian Cruz, Law360, July 19, 2021
- Intellectual property attorneys join Stites & Harbison by staff reporter, The Lane Report, July 15, 2021

MEMBERSHIPS

- Kentucky Bar Association, Member; IP Law Section, Member; IP Law Section, CLE Subcommittee; IP Law Section, Public and Professional Affairs Committee
- American Bar Association , Health Law Section
- American Intellectual Property Law Association , Member

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

 Judge, 2025 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office National Patent Application Drafting Competition, Midwest Regional Rounds

EDUCATION

University of Kentucky College of Law J.D. 1998

- Kentucky Journal of Natural Resources and Environmental Law, Articles Editor (1997-98)
- University of Kentucky College of Law Trial Advocacy Board, Co-President (1997-98)

University of Tennessee at Knoxville Ph.D. Animal Science 1991

University of Tennessee at Knoxville M.S. 1987

University of Tennessee at Martin B.S. Agriculture 1984

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Pat was previously with King & Schickli PLLC, a Lexington intellectual property boutique firm. Prior to joining King & Schickli, Pat served as in-house Corporate Counsel to Alltech, Inc.

ACCOLADES

- Managing Intellectual Property, IP Stars (2021-24)
- BioTN, Mentor, March 2023