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Patent & Trademark Attorney, Shareholder

Overview

Z. Peter Sawicki has been a patent attorney since 1980. During that time he has obtained extensive experience in the preparation and prosecution of patent applications throughout the world. His domestic and international patent practice has included chemical, biotechnology, human food and animals feed, immunology, laser delivery systems, nanoparticle counters, radiotherapy, polymers and mechanical arts. He has provided counseling and opinions in patentability, patent validity, product clearance searches, patent infringement matters, and patent portfolio management, analysis and strategy. He has represented clients in Reissue and Reexamination proceedings in the U.S. Patent Office.

In addition to his patent focus, he is also experienced in the clearance and registration of trademarks in the United States and throughout the world. He has represented clients in contested proceedings in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and has supervised contested patent and trademark proceedings in jurisdictions outside of the United States.

In his representation of clients in both patent and trademark matters, he has negotiated and drafted licenses, joint venture, joint collaboration, joint development and other agreements in a variety of technologies in both domestic and international situations.

Areas of Practice

- Patents
- Trademarks
- Copyright
- Licensing, joint venture, joint collaboration, joint development and other agreements
- Patent portfolio analysis
- Freedom to operate opinions
- Validity/non-infringement opinions
- Acquisitions
- Patent portfolio management and strategy
- Trademark opposition/cancellation proceedings
- PCT National Phase Filings and Paris Convention filings in the US.

Areas of Technical Expertise

- Polymers
- Medical Devices
- Surgical Procedures
- Immunology
- Food Technology
- Animal Feeds
- Pharmaceuticals
- Mechanical Devices
- Electromechanical Devices
- Organic Chemistry
- Material Science including Semiconductors
- Laser and Optical Systems for Lasers
- Nanoparticle counters
- Radiotherapy



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Bar Admissions

United States Patent and
Trademark Office

Minnesota State Bar

Federal Court for the District of
Minnesota

Court of Appeals for the 8th Circuit

Court of Appeals for the Federal
Circuit

Canadian Patent Office

Canadian Trademarks Office

Education

Hamline University School of Law,
JD (1980)
College of St. Thomas, MBA (1977)
Purdue University, B.S. Chemical
Engineering (1972)

Professional Affiliations

Member, American Intellectual
Property Law Association
Member, International Trademark
Association
Past Board Member of Minnesota
Intellectual Law Association
Member, Minnesota Intellectual
Property Law Association
Member, Minnesota State Bar
Association
Member, Licensing Executives Society
Member, American Chemical Society

Honors

“Who’s Who in American Law”
(since 1990)
“Who’s Who in America” (since 1993)
Guide to Leading American Attorneys,
Minnesota (since 1996)
Minnesota Super Lawyers (1990-2007)
Minnesota Guidebook: Law & Leading
Attorneys
Martindale-Hubbell: Rating of AV
Preeminent
Legal Leaders-Minnesota’s Top Rated
Lawyers of 2013

Other Interests

Board of Governors-Lafayette Club,
Minnetonka Beach Minnesota
Boating
Writing

Presentations

- **Patent Eligible Subject Matter in the United States**
The Fourth Biological Medicine Intellectual Property Summit Forum, Shenzhen, China, 2013
- **Overview of Trademark Law**
Kinney & Lange Seminar – Overview of Intellectual Property Law for Business Lawyers, Minneapolis, MN, June 2000; Sioux Falls, SD, September 2000
- **Overview of Patent Law**
Kinney & Lange Seminar – Overview of Intellectual Property Law for Business Lawyers, Minneapolis, MN, June 1999; Milwaukee, WI, June 1999; Des Moines, IA, August 1999; Fargo, ND, September 1999; Sioux Falls, SD, September 1999
- **Overview of Trademark Law**
Kinney & Lange Seminar – Overview of Intellectual Property Law for Business Lawyers, Minneapolis, MN, June 1998; Sioux Falls, SD, November 1998
- **Overview of Trade Secret Law**
Kinney & Lange Seminar – Overview of Intellectual Property Law for Business Lawyers, Minneapolis, MN, June 1997; Milwaukee, WI, June 1997
- **Overview of Trademark Law**
Kinney & Lange Seminar – Overview of Intellectual Property Law for Business Lawyers, Minneapolis, MN, June 1995; Cedar Rapids, IA, June 1995; Milwaukee,

Published Articles

- **Trademark Fair Use – How to Play Fair with Brands of Others**
Attorney at Law – March 2014
- **U.S. Patents – File Early and File Often**
Attorney at Law, February 2014
- **ICANN Begins Issuing New gTLDs-LOL or FOMO?**
Attorney at Law, January 2014
- **Pet on Trails Litigation Weekend Update: What Exactly is All the Furry Fuss About**
Attorney at Law, December 2013
- **The Record of Invention – A Thing of the Past?**
Attorney at Law, November 2013
- **E-mail Scam Alert! Don’t Trust That Really Nice Stranger on the Internet**
Attorney at Law, October 2013
- **Copyright Fair Use**
Attorney at Law, September 2013
- **Patenting Biologicals: Myriad Issue and Options in the Wake of Myriad**
Bench & Bar of Minnesota, September 2013
- **So Your Client Wants to Open a Restaurant**
Attorney at Law, August 2013
- **Intellectual Property Filers Beware: The Scammers Are Out to Get You!**
Attorney at Law, July 2013
- **Top Ten Urban IP Myths**
Attorney at Law, June 2013
- **Your Client Just Granted a Security Interest in its Intellectual Property; Now: How to Screw Things Up for the Lender!**
Attorney at Law, May 2013

Published Articles cont'd

- **Federal Trademark Registration – Why Bother?**
Attorney at Law, April 2013
- **Design Patents: Narrow, Often Overlooked, Relatively Expensive and Increasingly Useful**
Attorney at Law, March 2013
- **U.S. Patent Law Revision: Ten Years in the Making**
Attorney at Law, February 2013
- **Copyright Ownership: A Mere Handshake Isn't Good Enough**
Attorney at Law, January 2013
- **Cancer Therapy Based on a Mechanism of Action for Controlling the Immune System and the Resulting Patent Portfolio**
Recent Patents on Endocrine, Metabolic & Immune Drug Discovery, January 2013
- **Patent Marking: Can You Notice Me Now**
Attorney at Law, December 2012
- **Biotechnology and Patents**
Annual Convention; State Bar of Wisconsin, 1986

Exemplary Patents

Chemistry and Biotechnology

- U.S. 8,679,841; Allogeneic cell compositions with cross-linked CD3/CD28
- U.S. 8,641,872; Non-thermal plasma synthesis with carbon component
- U.S. 8,313,944; Methods to cause differentiation of T-cells for use in cell therapy
- U.S. 8,298,813; Method for preparing an expanded product for fermentation
- U.S. 8,298,587; Method for stimulating a therapeutic immune effect in a patient
- U.S. 8,278,487; Catalytic process for the ammoximation of carbonyl compounds
- U.S. 8,273,377; Method for allogeneic cell therapy
- U.S. 8,137,679; Immunogen adherence inhibitor directed to Lactobacillus organisms and method of making and using it
- U.S. 8,125,215; Measuring vibrations of a turbo-machine rotor blade with the help of an induction sensor in high temperature
- U.S. 8,080,003 ; Method and implantable apparatus for the intra-osseal monitoring of biological substances in the bone marrow
- U.S. 8,076,135; Method of preparing a treatment effective amount of allogeneic T-cells
- U.S. 8,071,374; Methods for preparing T-cells for cell therapy
- U.S. 8,012,750; T-cell activation device
- U.S. 7,972,594; Ablative immunotherapy
- U.S. 7,956,164; Device for enhancing immunostimulatory capabilities of T-cells
- U.S. 7,951,839; 6R-(3,6-dideoxy-L-arabino-hexopyranosyloxy)heptanoic acid, reparation process for the same and dauer effect thereof
- U.S. 7,943,180; Method for stimulating a host immune system by administering an allogeneic cell material
- U.S. 7,838,695; Neuroactive substance and uses of one such substance
- U.S. 7,829,208; Chromium nitride layer for magnetic recording medium
- U.S. 7,753,903; Method and implantable apparatus for the intra-osseal monitoring of biological substances in the bone marrow, including without limitation, glucose, the intra-osseal delivery of drugs, including without limitation, insulin, the integration of foregoing, and related or ancillary matters
- U.S. 7,678,572; Methods for preparing T-cells for cell therapy
- U.S. 7,592,431; Biodegradable T-cell Activation device
- U.S. 7,592,309; Method of using a peptide having analgesic and antitumor activity from scorpion
- U.S. 7,576,225; 6R-(3,6-dideoxy-L-arabino-hexopyranosyloxy) heptanoic acid, preparation process for the same and dauer effect thereof
- U.S. 7,560,109; Immunogen adherence inhibitor directed to lactic acid producing organisms and method of making and using it
- U.S. 7,435,592; Compositions for allogeneic cell therapy
- U.S. 7,402,431; T-cell therapy formulation
- U.S. 7,294,697; Short chain neurotoxin from sea snake-Lapemis hardwickii and genes encoding the neurotoxin
- U.S. 7,238,351; Immunogen adherence inhibitor directed to lactic acid producing organisms and method of making and using it

Exemplary Patents cont'd

Food and Feed Science

U.S. 8,591,979; Multiphase oil continuous flavor and ingredient delivery system
U.S. 8,440,218; Method for enhancing milk production
U.S. 8,329,245; Method of forming a non-fractionated, room-temperature pourable butter
U.S. 8,293,311; Refrigeration-temperature spreadable butter-based product
U.S. 8,293,310; Method of forming a non-fractionated, room-temperature pourable butter
U.S. 8,181,433; Method of lap sealing a molten cheese product with non-wax film
U.S. 8,110,214; Method and composition for enhancing milk production and milk component concentrations
U.S. 8,092,987; Mucosa tissue preserved with heating and hydrogen peroxide or phosphoric acid
U.S. 8,092,853; Gel based livestock feed, method of manufacture and use
U.S. 8,062,689; Selective starch feeding protocol
U.S. 7,955,629; Method of feeding milk replacer with carnitine
U.S. 7,943,191; Egg based foodstuff resembling french fries and the method of making same
U.S. 7,927,646; Refrigeration-temperature spreadable butter-based product 7,943,191;
U.S. 7,785,644; Method of making a food product having a veined appearance and products therefrom
U.S. 7,608,292; Method of processing soy protein
U.S. 7,550,172; Selective feeding of starch to increase milk production in ruminants
U.S. 7,371,401; Animal feed with a soluble fiber and sugar alcohol and method of making and method of feeding
U.S. 7,297,354; Protein material
U.S. 7,279,191; Method of forming a non-fractionated, room temperature pourable butter
U.S. 7,160,552; Method of feeding a ruminant
U.S. 7,157,221; Processes for making protein hydrolysates from animal peptone and for preserving mucosa
U.S. 7,037,518; Method for enhancing milk production

Physics/Chemical Engineering

U.S. 8,681,936; Radiotherapeutic apparatus
U.S. 8,646,459; Two-ply fabric low friction interface
U.S. 8,642,375; Preparation method of organic photovoltaic cell's photoactive layer using aerosol jet printing
U.S. 8,603,580; High stability and high capacity precursor vapor generation for thin film deposition
U.S. 8,554,064; Method and apparatus for generating vapor at high rates
U.S. 8,552,667; Linear accelerator
U.S. 8,537,373; Position detection
U.S. 8,529,985; Method for liquid precursor atomization
U.S. 8,511,583; Fine droplet atomizer for liquid precursor vaporization
U.S. 8,503,608; Radiotherapeutic apparatus
U.S. 8,465,791; Method for counting particles in a gas
U.S. 8,442,294; Motion artefact reduction in CT scanning
U.S. 8,393,599; Method and apparatus for liquid precursor atomization
U.S. 8,387,187; Positioning system
U.S. 8,358,738; Respiration-correlated radiotherapy
U.S. 8,331,526; On-Line cone beam CT reconstruction
U.S. 8,297,223; Method and apparatus for particle filtration and enhancing tool performance in film deposition
U.S. 8,240,212; Induction sensor to measure vibrations of a turbo-machine rotor blade
U.S. 8,224,055; Calibration of volume acquired images
U.S. 8,144,833; Planning for adaptive radiotherapy
U.S. 8,132,793; Method and apparatus for liquid precursor atomization
U.S. 8,125,215; Measuring vibrations of a turbo-machine rotor blade with the help of an induction sensor in high temperature
U.S. 8,111,170; Remote area sensor system
U.S. 8,090,076; Collimation apparatus for radiotherapy

Exemplary Patents cont'd

Physics/Chemical Engineering cont'd

U.S. 7,961,843; Radiotherapeutic apparatus

U.S. 7,924,971; Radiographic apparatus

U.S. 7,907,699; Radiotherapeutic apparatus

U.S. 7,882,799; Method and apparatus for generating charged particles for deposition on a surface

U.S. 7,860,215; Imaging systems for ionizing radiation

U.S. 7,830,510; Apparatus for high-accuracy fiber counting in air

U.S. 7,796,728; X-ray apparatus

U.S. 7,763,865; Improvements in or relating to radiotherapeutic apparatus

U.S. 7,742,575; Multi-leaf collimator

U.S. 7,729,473; Image-guided multi-source radiotherapy

U.S. 7,672,428; Improvements in or relating to radiotherapy apparatus