

Patent Paralegal

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Summary

Responsible for timely management of intellectual property (IP) administrative and legal support tasks. Active involvement in a high performing team providing a diverse range of IP administrative support to patent practitioners in regional, international and foreign filing prosecution and maintenance. Maintain and manage an accurate docket, using a patent docketing system. Provides knowledge and understanding of IP law and practice issues. Responsible for understanding and applying the department best practices.

Location: This role will be based out of Cambridge, MA and follow a hybrid work schedule. #LI-Hybrid

About the Role

Major accountabilities:

- Perform initially under supervision, the filing of EP/US/PCT and foreign patent applications and review related correspondence from filing to issuance of grant.
- Responsible initially under supervision for preparing all documents required in connection with US, EP, PCT and foreign jurisdictions, preparation of responses to official communications and notifications.
- Develop knowledge of latest patent rules and adapting practices to comply.
- Monitor and updating both electronic docket for responsible attorney(s) and assigned paralegal tasks on a daily basis.
- Monitor all assigned cases and ensuring that all related deadlines are met in a timely manner.
- Under supervision, review, maintain and assistance of responsible attorney(s)' dockets and workload.
- Communicate effectively with colleagues, inventors, foreign agents and other associates.
- Actively participate in patent group and cross-divisional meetings.
- Role may include the necessity to provide support in other areas within the Operations team (i.e. annuities, invoicing and data input) on an as needed basis.
- Assist assigned attorneys with general administrative tasks as needed.

Essential Requirements:

- A Paralegal/equivalent IP certification or equivalent experience is required
- University / College education is preferred
- A minimum of 3 years' experience as a patent paralegal in a law firm or corporation is required
- Knowledge of EP/US/PCT Foreign patent formalities and law and strong understanding of requirements in other major territories is preferred
- Ability to work with high quality in a multifaceted environment is preferred
- Languages: English written & spoken (required)

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