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Intellectual Property Law

PRACTICE AREAS

- Patents
- Trademarks
- Post-Grant Proceedings
- IP Litigation
- IP Diligence

TECHNOLOGIES

- Mechanical Engineering
- Materials Science
- Medical Devices
- Chemical Engineering
- Energy Storage
- Clean Technology
- Computer Software
- Telecommunications
- Semiconductors

EDUCATION

- Harvard College, A.B. in Physics
- Boston College Law School, J.D.

Keith Wood is Principal at Hamilton Brook Smith Reynolds and an experienced intellectual property practitioner with more than 25 years of practice in U.S. and international patent law. His work focuses on patent prosecution, post-grant proceedings, and strategic intellectual property counseling, with particular emphasis on Inter Partes Review (IPR) proceedings before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Keith received his undergraduate degree in Physics from Harvard University, where he developed a strong foundation in analytical reasoning and applied scientific research. This technical training informs his sophisticated approach to patent prosecution and enables him to address complex legal and technical issues arising in patent litigation and administrative proceedings. He draws upon his extensive prosecution experience to provide careful, well-reasoned analysis in support of both contentious and non-contentious IP matters.

Keith advises clients on the acquisition, development, and management of patent rights across multiple jurisdictions, including the coordination of large and technically diverse patent portfolios. His practice includes counseling start-ups, universities, and multinational companies on the creation of patent portfolios that align with long-term research, development, and commercialization objectives. He has represented clients in numerous IPR proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB), applying a methodical and evidence-driven approach informed by his deep familiarity with USPTO practice.

Post-Grant Proceedings and Appellate Experience

Keith is a member of the firm's IPR and litigation teams and has participated in multiple successful IPR proceedings involving technologies deployed by a multinational networking and telecommunications company, as well as proceedings involving an American multinational automobile manufacturer. He has also contributed to several appeals in, and presented oral argument before, the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. In recognition of his analytical rigor and effectiveness in post-grant advocacy, Keith was ranked in the Top 250 Best Performing Attorneys (Patent Owner) in Patexia's 2023 PTAB Intelligence Report.



PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Boston Intellectual Property Law Association (BIPLA)
 - 2025 - 2026 - Vice President
 - 2024-2025 Treasurer
 - 2023 - 2024 Board Member
 - Past co-chair of the International and Foreign Practice Committee
- MIT eForum of Cambridge, Past Committee Chair, Energy Special Interest Group (Energy SIG)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Massachusetts

Intellectual Property Strategy and Due Diligence

Keith's practice further encompasses intellectual property strategy and due diligence in connection with corporate acquisitions and venture capital investments. He advises clients on portfolio valuation, freedom-to-operate considerations, and the strategic integration of utility patents, design patents, and trademarks. He also conducts competitive landscape analyses and portfolio monitoring to support informed decision-making and strategic positioning.

Technical Scope

Keith has patent experience across a broad range of technologies, including semiconductor manufacturing, graphene-based materials, microfluidics, medical devices, acoustics, optics, sensor systems, filtration technologies, speech-recognition software, telecommunications, battery material simulation software, pharmaceutical release-rate prediction, electroporation devices, nanotube materials, nanopore manufacturing, fuel cells, wind energy, and clean energy technologies.

Professional Leadership

Keith serves as Vice President of the Boston Intellectual Property Law Association (BIPLA) and previously served as the association's Treasurer, a member of the Board, and as Co-Chair of the BIPLA's International and Foreign Practice Committee, reflecting his sustained engagement with international IP policy and practice. He has also served for several years as Committee Chair of the Energy Special Interest Group of the MIT Enterprise Forum of Cambridge, contributing to interdisciplinary dialogue at the intersection of technology, entrepreneurship, and intellectual property.

ARTICLES

- BPLA International and Foreign Practice Committee Host an Event on Strategies for Prosecuting Biotech and Life Science Patents in China , May 11, 2017

IP NEWS ALERTS

- New Test for Obviousness of Design Patents Presents Uncertainties and Opportunities, June 10, 2024
- United States Supreme Court Decision in Arthrex Finds a Constitutional Remedy for the Structure of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board in Post Grant Patent Challenges, June 25, 2021

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “Patenting Strategies for Entrepreneurs,” Speaker, MDG Boston, April 8, 2025
- “Innovating the Future: Cleantech and Energy Storage Panel Discussion,” Moderator, Cambridge Innovation Center, February, 2025
- “Patenting Strategies for Entrepreneurs,” Speaker, UMass Lowell Innovation Hub, January 15, 2025
- “Clean Green Challenge Pitch Competition,” Moderator of Fireside Chat, UML iHub, April 4, 2024
- “Getting from Here to There - Advancing Your Sustainability Solution,” UML iHub, Panel Moderator, September 19, 2023
- “Intellectual Property Considerations for Protecting Your Company’s Innovations,” MIT Enterprise Forum, Cambridge Innovation Center, March 6, 2019
- “Intellectual Property Considerations for Protecting Your Company’s Innovations” MIT Enterprise Forum, Cambridge Innovation Center, September 14, 2017