

JEWELL N. BRIGGS

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Jewell is known for bringing a relentlessly driven work ethic to all facets of intellectual property law representation. She is guided by a firsthand appreciation for intellectual property's potential to change lives.

Her practice includes preparing and prosecuting patent applications for a range of new technologies, conducting trademark clearance searches, and providing litigation support. She counsels clients across a range of industries, from chemical and biopharma laboratories to large electrical and heavy equipment and manufacturing companies.

With three degrees in the hard sciences and previous experience in nursing, Jewell has a uniquely varied skillset and perspective on IP representation. She has a particular interest in helping healthcare innovators develop and protect intellectual property that improves disease outcomes and patient quality of life. She is highly proactive in matters that require comprehensive research and collaborative thinking. Clients and colleagues alike appreciate her frank approach to developing solutions that are efficient, strategic, *and successful*.

Jewell is a member of Harness IP's Chemistry & Materials Science practice group. She regularly conducts continuing legal education for her colleagues and provides frequent legal and technology updates to the firm. She is a 2022 graduate of the Leadership Council for Legal Diversity Pathfinder Program, which provides foundational leadership skills and networking opportunities for up-and-coming diverse attorneys.

PRACTICE AREAS

Patents; Trademarks & Service Marks; IP Litigation

INDUSTRIES

Automotive & Autonomous Vehicles; Chemistry & Materials Science; Mechanical & Electromechanical; Pharmaceutical & Biotechnology

BACKGROUND

Jewell's experience in nursing, her vast knowledge of the hard sciences, and her firsthand understanding of the value of innovation gives her a unique perspective on intellectual property protection. A hearing impairment only sharpens her conviction that technological innovation can and should improve lives. Her practice enables her to combine her passions for law and science for the benefit of the firm



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and her community.

Jewell is active in the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan, and currently serves on its Historical Preservation Committee and the Moms in Law Committee. She previously served on the WLA's Legal Affairs, Legislative, and Candidate Rating & Endorsement Committee. She is also an active member of the State Bar of Michigan's Intellectual Property Law Section.

PREVIOUS/ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

- Prior to joining Harness IP, Jewell worked as an IP Legal Intern at Dow Corning, where she focused on licensing matters and public outreach programs. She also worked as a Legal Extern at ElderLaw of Michigan. Prior to law school, she was a resident-certified nursing assistant at an assisted living/nursing facility.

AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

- *Best Lawyers*, Patent Law, "Ones to Watch," 2022-2024
- *Best Lawyers*, Litigation – Patent "Ones to Watch," 2023-2024
- AIPLA Giles Sutherland Rich Memorial Moot Court Competition, Chicago, March 2015 – Best Appellant Brief

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD) Pathfinder Program, 2022
- Michigan Bar Association, IP Law Section
- Women Lawyers Association of Michigan; Legal Affairs, Legislative & CREC Committee

HOBBIES/INTERESTS/PASSION PROJECTS

- Jewell is passionate about technology's impact on individuals and their health outcomes. She is an enthusiastic supporter of the Hearing Loss Association of America.
- When she is not in the office, Jewell enjoys staying physically active and spending time with her family.

EDUCATION

J.D., *cum laude*, Michigan State University College of Law, 2016

B.S., *cum laude*, Biology, Loyola University Chicago, 2013

B.S., *cum laude*, Forensic Science, Loyola University Chicago, 2013

B.S., *cum laude*, Chemistry, Loyola University Chicago, 2013

BAR & COURT ADMISSIONS

Michigan

Eastern District of Michigan

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

KEY MATTERS

- Helped secure a dual victory for two clients accused of patent infringement by developing a bold strategy challenging the validity of the plaintiff's patents. Petitions for *inter partes* review (IPR) of the plaintiff's patents were initiated at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and the USPTO issued comprehensive opinions in the IPRs, rendering all claims in four out of the five patents as unpatentable. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit upheld the decision, and the fifth patent is currently under IPR at the USPTO.

NEWS/EVENTS

IN THE NEWS

- Jewell Briggs Named an Up and Coming Lawyer by Michigan Lawyers Weekly
- Harness IP Team Secures Significant Victory at the Federal Circuit and USPTO in Patent Infringement Battle
- "Trifecta: Area IP attorney holds triple undergraduate degree," *Macomb County Legal News*, February 17, 2017

PUBLICATIONS

ARTICLES

- Harness IP Attorneys Co-Author Article on Ongoing CRISPR Case

BLOGS

- Consider All of the Patent Family's Prosecution History When Communicating with the USPTO
- USPTO Releases Performance and Accountability Report for 2018
- CRISPR-Cas9 Battle Continues: Federal Circuit sides with the Broad Institute and Affirms the PTAB's Finding of No Interference In Fact
- At The Bench: Patent Law 2017 Takeaways

- At The Bench: 2017 Mid-Year Case Review
- Missed opportunity: Federal Circuit Again Offers No Clarifying Insight on Alice's Two-Step Framework