

Robert (Bob) H. Underwood

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Biography

Robert (Bob) H. Underwood, Ph.D. draws on his in-depth experience establishing U.S. and international intellectual property (IP) rights and identifying and evaluating third-party IP risks to help his clients achieve their business objectives. Bob also leads Hogan Lovells' IP team in the Americas.

Bob's clients range from startups to mature multinationals, nonprofits, and universities, as well as venture capital and private equity investors. Bob focuses his practice on the life sciences and chemical industries. His experience with pre-litigation planning and contentious litigation matters, including patent interferences and oppositions, allows him to support clients in strategic counseling, patent portfolio development and management, and patent prosecution. He also guides clients through transactions and agreements that involve IP rights, including joint development agreements, sponsored research agreements, licenses, and corporate transactions.

Prior to joining the firm, Bob earned his bachelor's degree in biology and his doctoral degree in immunology. His experience as a visiting scientist at the Basel Institute for Immunology in Switzerland and as a research associate at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston allows him to successfully counsel clients from both a technical and business perspective.



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Languages

English

Practices

Intellectual Property

Patents

IP and Technology Transactions

Industries

Life Sciences and Health Care

Areas of focus

Post-Grant Proceedings

Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals and

Awards and rankings

- Shortlisted for Patent Strategy Attorney of the Year (Massachusetts), *LMG Life Sciences*, 2022
- Recommended, U.S. (Massachusetts), *IAM Patent 1000*, 2023-2024

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - Reissued patents get Hatch-Waxman PTE based on original patent date, CAFC rules
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells announces Bob Underwood as new Practice Area Leader for IP Americas
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 - Hogan Lovells welcomes esteemed IP litigator David Perlson to the firm's San Francisco office
- Sponsorships and Speaking Engagements
 - Structuring IP Provisions in Asset Purchase Agreements
- Hogan Lovells Events
 - Unpacking the FTC's Orange Book Actions Webinar
- Awards & rankings
 - LMG Life Sciences recognizes Hogan Lovells as Regulatory Firm of the Year for 2022

Biotechnology

IP Rights in Transactions

Cell, Tissue, and Gene Therapies

Education and admissions

Education

J.D., Suffolk University Law School, cum laude, 2005

Ph.D., Tufts University, 1998

B.S., University of New Hampshire, 1989

Bar admissions and qualifications

Massachusetts
