

# LEIGH Z. CALLANDER

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## BAR MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

- District of Columbia Bar
- Maryland Bar
- Virginia Bar
- Registered to practice before the United States Patent & Trademark Office
- Supreme Court of the United States
- United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit
- United States District Court for the District of Columbia
- United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Intellectual Property Owners Association
- American Bar Association

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## EDUCATION

**The Catholic University Columbus School of Law**, Washington, DC

Juris Doctor, 2000

- Corpus Juris Secundum® Award for Scholastic Excellence in Civil Procedure
- Corpus Juris Secundum® Award for Scholastic Excellence in Property

**The George Washington University**, Washington, DC

Master of Forensic Sciences, 1997

- Concentration in Forensic Molecular Biology

**American University**, Washington, DC

Master of Arts in Biology, 1997

- Researched the development and biochemical aspects of retinoic acid and its effects on tetrapod limb development.

**Rollins College**, Winter Park, FL

Bachelor of Arts in Biology, 1993

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Evans & Molinelli PLLC, Clifton, VA ~ Of Counsel, 2011-present

Buchanan, Ingersoll & Rooney P.C., Alexandria, VA ~ Counsel, 2010-2011

Buchanan, Ingersoll & Rooney P.C., Washington, DC ~ Associate, 2007-2010

Merchant & Gould P.C., Washington, DC ~ Associate, 2006-2007

Rothwell, Figg, Ernst & Manbeck, P.C., Washington, DC ~ Associate, 2001-2006

Jacobson, Price, Holman & Stern, PLLC, Washington, DC ~ Law Clerk/Associate, 2000-2001

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## LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- Prosecute a wide-variety of patent applications in the biotechnological, pharmaceutical, chemical, and materials science arts in the United States and worldwide.
- Identify and assist in pursuing strategies and actions for global patent protection.
- Maintain patent portfolios and handle global filing and prosecution of patent applications.
- Perform freedom to operate searches at the United States Patent & Trademark Office in preparation for drafting legal opinions.
- Closely interact with Research & Development organizations to identify new inventions and devise strategies for patent protection.

- Work with in-house attorneys and patent agents in preparation and prosecution of patent applications.
- Evaluate freedom to operate searches
- Counsel clients regarding decisions to submit ANDAs to FDA and commercially launch generic products.
- Handle all aspects of complex patent litigation involving infringement, validity, inequitable conduct, and anti-trust matters at the district court and appellate level.
- Manage day to day affairs of all phases of fact and expert discovery, including communication with the client on a regular basis with respect to development and execution of strategies.
- Prepare discovery requests and responses including requests for admission, requests for interrogatories, requests for documents, privilege logs, letters to and from opposing counsel, letters to the court, handle meets and confer with opposing counsel, manage document review.
- Review documents and perform legal research and analysis.
- Prepare briefing and other aspects of motion practice, including memoranda in support of and in opposition of summary judgment, memoranda in support of and in opposition of judgment, other documents such as regulatory and compliance documents, transactional documents, and licensing agreements.
- Retention of expert witnesses and preparation of expert witness reports.
- Prepare motions and counsel clients in United States interference practice.
- Assist in annual and monthly litigation budgets with in-house counsel and weekly management of budgets
- Conduct formulation work, API clearance opinion work and FDA regulatory authority counseling
- Prepare and first-chair fact and expert witness depositions.