



## Giordana Mahn

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Giordana Mahn concentrates on securing valuable patent rights for a variety of clients in mechanical, biomechanical, electromechanical, consumer products, and medical device fields. She has experience in post-grant proceedings, foreign and domestic prosecution of patent applications, and counseling on invalidity, non-infringement, and freedom to practice matters. Giordana's work experience and technical training in mechanical engineering affords her a unique understanding of clients' technologies and an ability to efficiently provide a range of patent prosecution services. Giordana enjoys working closely with clients to better understand their business objectives so she can strategically prosecute their patent applications.

### Practices

- Design Patents
- Patent Prosecution
- Post-Grant Patent Proceedings

### Industries

- Automotive & Transportation
- Consumer Products
- Industrial & Mechanical Technologies
- Medical Devices

### Representative Experience

Giordana has experience prosecuting patents and counseling in a variety of technologies, including:

- Medical devices
- Intravenous drug delivery systems
- Process control systems

- Manufacturing equipment technology
- Consumer products
- Personal care products
- Bottling systems
- Injection molding machines and processes
- Hardware
- Automotive components
- Terminal Sterilization Processes

### Background and Credentials

Giordana earned her J.D., *cum laude*, from Loyola University Chicago School of Law where she was on the Dean's list and received CALI awards for the highest grade in Legal Writing, Advocacy, and Mediation Certification & Courthouse Practicum. Through her role as the Executive Editor, Special Symposium of the *Loyola University Chicago Law Journal*, Giordana edited journal articles and hosted a symposium focusing on a variety of current patent issues. She received a B.S. in mechanical engineering with a concentration in energy from the University of Michigan. Giordana is licensed to practice in the state of Illinois and before the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Giordana is also a certified mediator.

### Education

- Loyola University Chicago School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*)
- University of Michigan (B.S.)
  - Mechanical Engineering

### Bar Admissions

- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Illinois

### Publications and Presentations

- "11<sup>th</sup> Annual Advocacy Challenge: Patent Exhaustion & Appellate Review of PTAB Institution Decisions," Presented at The Richard Linn American Inn of Court, April 13, 2017.
- "Industrial (Design) Revolution: From Spoons to Smartphones," Presented at The Richard Linn American Inn of Court, November 12, 2015.
- "Sweeping changes: The US Innovation Act of 2015 proposes several dramatic revisions to patent law," Co-Author, *Intellectual Property Magazine*, April 2015.
- Giordana Mahn, *Keeping Trolls Out of Courts and Out of Pocket: Expanding the Inequitable Conduct Doctrine*, 45 LOY. U. CHI. L. J. 1245 (2014).

## Community and Professional Involvement

Giordana is a member of the following professional society:

- Richard Linn Inn of Court

She is also on the firm's Pro-Bono Committee, is active in community outreach, and has participated, or currently participates, in the following programs:

- Center of Conflict Resolution (CCR) in Chicago, IL –works pro bono as a certified mediator
- Cabrini Green Legal Aid (CGLA) in Chicago, IL –works pro bono in Executive Clemency and Expungement petitions
- Health Justice Project Clinic of Loyola University Chicago School of Law, a medical-legal partnership focused on protecting health and housing rights of Chicago's community –served as a client advocate and student attorney (2011–2014)
- Pantanal Center for Education and Research –volunteered on-site construction as a student engineer to bring solar energy and water filtration systems to a rural community in the Brazilian Pantanal (2009)