



Patent Agent

FIRM OVERVIEW

Marks & Clerk is one of the world's leading intellectual property firms, with our Canadian office established in 1921. With a qualified team of seasoned patent and trademark associates, we offer a full spectrum of technical expertise on all aspects of intellectual property matters – patents, trademarks, designs and copyright. This includes strategic and commercial advice on portfolio management, licensing, enforcement and litigation, and due diligence and valuation of intellectual property.

Through a global network of 15 offices in Canada, the UK (across eight cities), Europe and Asia, Marks & Clerk has long-established relationships with other trusted IP firms worldwide and a unique ability to secure IP protection for clients looking to safeguard their innovations in multiple jurisdictions. Our clients come from a diverse range of industries and include start-ups, small and medium sized businesses and large multi-national corporations who have long-trusted us to deliver high quality, seamless and cost-effective services, both locally and globally.

We are looking to add an experienced Patent Agent to join the Ottawa team with focus in the areas of patent drafting, filing and prosecution.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Marks & Clerk believes in looking at an entire business portfolio from an IP perspective and likes to take a collaborative approach with clients. Specific responsibilities are:

- Ensuring that patentable inventions are recognized and protected.
- Advising clients and securing appropriate IP protection and preparing and filing patent applications.
- Conducting IP audits and due diligence for investors in intellectual property and businesses with IP assets.
- Arranging validity and infringement reviews and patent watch services.
- Prosecuting patent applications through to grant.
- Drafting arguments to advocate clients' positions, with reference to case law.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

- Qualified Canadian Patent Agent with at least two years' post qualification experience.
- Recognized degree in science, chemistry, biochemistry and/or biology.
- Patent drafting, filing and prosecution.
- Demonstrable technical excellence.
- The ability to assume responsibility for client relationships.
- The ability to work effectively, both independently and as part of a team.
- Highly motivated; proactive with a drive to develop the practice.
- Excellent time and portfolio management skills.

If you are interested in this opportunity, please submit your CV in confidence to HR@marks-clerk.ca.

Marks & Clerk Canada is an equal opportunity employer and will provide accommodations during the recruitment process upon request.

Currently, firm members enjoy a hybrid arrangement, working 1 to 2 days in the office and from home.

Marks & Clerk Canada requires all firm members to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Any exemption request will be considered on a case-by-case basis and granted only where the request meets the requirements of applicable legislation.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only candidates under consideration will be contacted.

No agencies please.