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## Researching Inventions and Existing Patents

**Carlyn Burton** Partner at Osha Liang LLP in Houston

Ms. Burton has extensive experience in domestic and foreign design and utility patent preparation and prosecution, IP counseling, and intellectual asset management. Her practice also includes licensing, dispute resolution, and post-grant proceedings at the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Ms. Burton frequently renders opinions regarding infringement, validity, and freedom to operate; counsels clients on patent design-around strategies and the strength of patents in anticipation of litigation; leads numerous brainstorming sessions to strengthen IP portfolios; and conducts intellectual property due diligence. Ms. Burton is currently the president of the Houston Intellectual Property Law Association.

## Managing and Preserving U.S. Patent Rights

**Mark D. Shelley II, Ph.D** Of Counsel, Womble Bond Dickinson in Houston

Dr. Shelley assists clients in identifying and strategically protecting their intellectual property and technology-based assets, with particular emphasis on energy-related transactions and the prosecution and litigation of patents and trademarks. His practice also includes work in M&A transactions amongst technology-focused companies; drafting complex agreements, preparing patentability, non-infringement and freedom to operate opinions; and counseling clients with respect to a wide range of intellectual property issues, including trade secrets and copyrights. Dr. Shelley has advised clients in diverse markets, including oil and gas exploration production, industrial and agricultural chemicals, medical devices, alternative energy processes, and consumer goods.

## Preparing and Prosecuting U.S. Patent Applications

**Jeff Streets** Streets Lawfirm, P.C. Cypress, TX

Mr. Streets has a bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering, a master's degree in Business Administration and a law degree from the University of Houston Law Center. After several years in industry, Mr. Streets now has 25 years of experience focused solely on helping inventors and their companies patent their most valuable technological developments. He has guided numerous clients through the process of preparing and filing patent applications and then diligently advocated the patentability of their inventions before the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

## Patent Litigation Update

**Gregory L. Porter** Partner with Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP in Houston

Mr. Porter has extensive experience representing and advising companies in all aspects of patent, copyright and trade secret law, including acting as lead counsel in successful jury trials and preliminary injunction hearings, as well as advising on patent procurement and designing around competitor's patents. He also has counseled Fortune 500 clients on the creation and management of their patent portfolios, led IP due diligence teams for major merger and acquisition transactions and participated in contested patent office proceedings such as inter partes reviews and reexaminations. Mr. Porter is also a frequent contributor to the firm's CAFC blog ([www.cafcblog.com](http://www.cafcblog.com)).

## Ethical Issues in Patent Law

**Jeffrey A. Andrews** Partner with Yetter Coleman LLP in Houston

Mr. Andrews is an intellectual property trial attorney with extensive experience in patent, trade secret, trademark, and copyright disputes. Trained as a scientist prior to attending law school, he brings his scientific and technical understanding to cases, as well as an ability to effectively explain complex technical issues to judges and juries. He has litigated cases involving a wide array of technologies and industries including power electronics, neural networks, oilfield services, polymer chemistry, software, and medical devices. As a registered patent attorney, Mr. Andrews is well-versed in post-grant proceedings at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and has participated in numerous inter partes reviews.

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### Researching Inventions and Existing Patents

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#### Agenda:

- Collecting information about inventions
- Patentability searches
- Clearance searches

### Managing and Preserving U.S. Patent Rights

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#### Agenda:

- Maintaining the patent
- Licensing patent rights
- Assigning patent rights
- Handling patent issues in corporate transactions
- Handling patent infringement issues

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### Preparing and Prosecuting U.S. Patent Applications

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#### Agenda:

- Patent basics
- Types of patents
- Sources of patent laws and regulations
- Patent eligible subject matter
- Patentability standards
- Preparing a patent application
- Role of the specification and claims
- Patent prosecution procedures
- Duty of disclosure

### Patent Litigation Update

Friday, September 20, 2019, 1:00 - 2:00 PM CDT  
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#### Agenda:

- Recent cases affecting patent litigation
- Developments at the USPTO patent trial and appeal board
- Update on potential patent reform
- Best practices to avoid patent litigation

### Ethical Issues in Patent Law

Friday, September 20, 2019, 2:30 - 3:30 PM CDT  
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#### Agenda:

- What inventions should be patentable?
- Profit vs. public interest
- Patent trolls

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