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Christopher counsels clients involved in the development of life sciences, chemical, and mechanical engineering technologies through the various stages of patent prosecution.

Christopher's practice focuses primarily on the preparation and prosecution of utility and design patent applications both in the U.S. and internationally. He also handles responses to office actions and prepares infringement and freedom to operate opinions. In addition to his patent prosecution practice, Christopher occasionally provides support on intellectual property litigation matters.

Christopher worked as a chemical engineer at a global engineering consulting firm for nearly a decade before attending law school. Drawing on his experience as a lead engineer on major energy and environmental projects, Christopher works collaboratively with inventors to develop patent strategies that protect their designs.

Before joining Holland & Hart, Christopher practiced at an Am Law 200 firm for six years.

EXPERIENCE

Patent Preparation and Prosecution

- Patent Portfolio Development
- Domestic and international patent preparation and prosecution

Opinions and Counseling

- Patent infringement and validity analysis
- Non-infringement/invalidity opinions
- Product design counseling

Technologies

- Chemical engineering
- Chemistry
- Biochemistry
- Medical devices
- Mechanical
- Software
- Electrical

PRACTICES

Intellectual Property
Patent Preparation, Prosecution, and
Counseling

EDUCATION

University of Denver Sturm College of
Law, J.D., 2015
Scholastic Excellence Award for Patent
Law
University of Denver Water Law Review
University of Texas, B.S. Chemical
Engineering, 2008

BAR ADMISSIONS

Colorado
United States Patent and Trademark
Office

RECOGNITION

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch® in America*, Intellectual Property Law, 2022-2026

PROFESSIONAL AND CIVIC AFFILIATIONS

- Natural Resource and Environmental Law Society
- Construction and Real Estate Law Society