

## Serene R. Sahar

Senior Associate

### Overview

Serene concentrates her patent practice on prosecution, clearance, and validity opinions for mechanical, electrical, and medical technologies. She represents clients spanning a range of industries, including manufacturing, construction, mining, healthcare, and nuclear technology.

She has significant experience with products such as power tools, industrial equipment, medical devices, imaging technologies, office furniture, and chemical and nuclear systems, as well as control systems and other automated systems and processes.

Prior to joining Michael Best, Serene served as a law clerk for the Honorable Judge Kevin E. Martens on the Milwaukee County Circuit Court and as an extern for the Honorable Judge Charles Clevert of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Wisconsin. While in law school, she served as an Intellectual Property Assistant at the University of Wisconsin's Center for Education Research and as a law clerk in the Office of General Counsel, where she provided legal advice to the Wisconsin State Universities and the Board of Regents. Through the University's Law & Entrepreneurial Clinic, Serene counseled start-up companies on business and legal issues. Serene also worked for the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation (WARF) where she developed graduate bioethics programs and intellectual property symposiums for the opening of the Wisconsin Institute of Discovery (WID).

### Experience

Serene has extensive experience in:

- Domestic and foreign patent preparation and prosecution for both utility and design patent applications
- Conducting right-to-use searches and helping clients design around competitor patents
- Conducting patentability searches and developing creative patent filing strategies
- Analyzing patents for validity and non-infringement



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#### Practices

Intellectual Property  
Patent

- Providing invalidity/non-infringement opinions
- Developing patent filing strategy to align with client's business goals

## Honors & Recognitions

- Best Lawyers®, "Ones to Watch" (Milwaukee Area), Patent Law, 2021
- *The Midwest's Best Lawyers*®, Patent Law, 2021

## Professional Activities

- Pathfinder, Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, 2020
- Member, American Bar Association

## Education

- University of Wisconsin Law School, Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2011; *Wisconsin Law Review*, Managing Editor; Moot Court Board, Executive Board Member
- University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Bachelor of Science (B.S.), 2014; Physics
- Lawrence University, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), *cum laude*, 2006; Mathematics

## Admissions

- Wisconsin
- United States District Court, Western District of Wisconsin
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

## Related News

### NEWS

August 20, 2020

Ninety-Two Michael Best Attorneys Earn Top Honors in The Best Lawyers in America 2021 List

### PUBLICATION

May 26, 2020

Applicants Still Can Take Advantage of Aspects of COVID-related Extension of Time