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*Jonathan is known for his technical and strategic acumen – as he decisively identifies and aligns IP value with business objectives.*

Dr. Jonathan Sparks, chair of the Intellectual Property practice group, has over 20 years of experience as a patent professional representing clients in diverse areas of technology. Jonathan counsels clients on general intellectual property matters, including patent prosecution, domestic and foreign patent strategy, due diligence, and patent lifecycle management and assists clients with the preparation of patentability, infringement, validity, and freedom-to-operate opinions. His clients include individual inventors, small companies and large companies and academic institutions.

Jonathan has assisted clients in commercializing technology in the biotech, chemical, pharmaceutical, alternative energy, mechanical device and medical device areas.

Prior to starting his legal career, Jonathan did research in the areas of physical biochemistry and molecular biology while obtaining his PhD at Texas A&M. This work was presented at various scientific meetings and published in leading scientific journals.

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### Education

Suffolk University Law School, JD, 2006

Texas A&M University, PhD Biochemistry, 2001

Ithaca College, BA Biochemistry, 1996

### Bar Admissions

Massachusetts

U.S. Patent & Trademark Office

### Memberships and Certifications

American Intellectual Property Law Association

Boston Patent Law Association

Boston Bar Association

### Recognitions\*

Massachusetts Rising Star, *Super Lawyers*, 2009–2012

*IAM Patent 1000*, 2020–2023

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## **Webinars**

IP Virtual Executive Roundtable For Life Sciences, Consero, 10.8.2020