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Dianne Reed is a Partner at VLP and Co-Chair of the Intellectual Property Practice Group. She is an intellectual property attorney with over 30 years of experience in private practice, specializing in patent preparation, prosecution, and analysis. As a veteran of the intellectual property field, she has worked extensively in virtually all aspects of patent practice for many different types of clients, including start-ups, established companies, investors, nonprofit organizations, and universities. Her work has included preparation and prosecution of patent applications; development and implementation of long-term patent strategies; due diligence reviews and opinion work; analysis of patent issues in business transactions; counseling with respect to competitors' IP and activities; and the handling of IP issues related to the FDA regulatory process, including ANDA and NDA submissions, Orange Book listings, patent certifications and statements, and patent term restoration requests. Dianne has also served as a patent law expert in pharmaceutical patent litigation.

Dianne has experience in a broad range of technology areas, including chemistry, chemical engineering, biotechnology, materials science, pharmaceuticals, drug delivery, nanotechnology, medical devices, and semiconductor and display technology. Her clients over the years have included Cetus, Chiron, Genentech, Alza, Scios, Quantum Dot, Nektar Therapeutics, Affymax, Angiotech, Labcyte, IBM, Bayer, Agilent, Teva USA, Stanford, Caltech, Bluestar Genomics, and Kaiser Permanente.

Dianne received her Bachelor of Science in chemistry from M.I.T., attended graduate school in chemistry at U.C. Berkeley, and, prior to attending law school, worked as a nuclear chemist in the Site Environmental Monitoring Group of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory. Dianne was an associate and then a partner at Irell & Manella, leaving with the patent group to join Morrison & Foerster as a partner in 1991. Shortly thereafter, Dianne founded her own firm, the Reed Intellectual Property Law Group, which fourteen years later was acquired by the Boston-based firm of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky & Popeo.

Practice Areas

- ➔ Intellectual Property

Admissions

- ➔ State Bar of California
- ➔ United States Patent and Trademark Office

Professional or Trade Affiliations

- ➔ American Intellectual Property Law Association
- ➔ American Bar Association
- ➔ Silicon Valley Intellectual Property Law Association
- ➔ Intellectual Property Section, State Bar of California
- ➔ American Chemical Society
- ➔ Life Science Angels

Education

- ➔ J.D., University of California, Hastings College of the Law, 1984
- ➔ B.S., Chemistry, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1979