

Dental Practice Group Biographies

Deborah Peacock

Peacock Law's President and CEO Deborah is a Registered Patent Attorney and Registered Professional Engineer with deep experience in complex transactions, commercialization of leading-edge and disruptive technologies, and global branding. She has negotiated agreements with some of the largest dental companies in the world and has served as an expert witness in patent litigation involving dental technology. Having managed several large dental patent portfolios and the litigation and licensing thereof, she has become intimately familiar with the dental industry and its players. Her previous career as a mineralogical engineer has given her an understanding of the elements commonly employed in dental materials. Deborah holds a B.S. in Metallurgical Engineering from Colorado School of Mines, and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. Deborah and her husband own several airplanes and enjoy their travels across the United States and Canada.

Janeen Vilven-Doggett, Ph.D.

Janeen is a partner of Peacock Law P.C. and a Registered Patent Attorney specializing in patent prosecution in many technical fields core to the dental industry, including biotechnology, computer science, chemical and pharmaceutical sciences, genetics, medical devices, nanotechnology, and optics. She also handles FDA counseling regarding medical and dental devices, pharmaceutical applications, and product labeling requirements. She earned a J.D. cum laude from the University of New Mexico, a bachelor's degree in biology from Baylor University, and a Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences from the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center.

Philip D. Askenazy, Ph.D.

Philip is a Registered Patent Agent specializing in patent prosecution and portfolio analysis in a number of fields core to dental technology, including materials, chemical engineering, and electro-mechanical devices. He has prosecuted a number of patent applications related to dentistry. His many years of experience managing large intellectual portfolios and running technology companies brings a business wisdom to his practice much appreciated by Peacock Law's clients, particularly in their licensing, technology commercialization, and business planning endeavors. Philip earned a bachelor's degree (cum laude) in physics from Harvard University, and both a master's degree and a Ph.D. in applied physics from the California Institute of Technology.

Justin Muehlmeyer

Justin is a Registered Patent Attorney practicing all aspects of intellectual property, licensing and litigation. After having been deeply involved in patent litigation over dental technologies early in his work for Peacock Law, Justin has become very familiar with the particular types of legal issues facing the dental industry. Justin earned dual undergraduate degrees in Physics and Philosophy of Economics, and now assists Peacock Law regarding a wide range of technologies central to the dental industry, including dental processes and methods of manufacturing restorations, dental materials and electro-mechanical devices. Justin came to Peacock Law from the New Mexico Supreme Court, where for two years he served as an attorney judicial law clerk to one of the most respected justices in the State's history, assisting the court in resolving the State's most complex legal questions. Justin serves on the Board of the IP Section of the New Mexico State Bar and directs the State Bar's annual Pro Bono Intellectual Property Legal Clinic.

Marco Santamaria

Marco is a Registered Patent Agent practicing patent prosecution in a number of fields core to dental technology including: biotechnology, chemical and pharmaceutical sciences, medical devices, scientific diagnostics, and mechanical devices. Marco has B.S. and Master's degrees in bioengineering from the Bioengineering Department of the University of California San Diego. Marco has published a number of times in the areas of biomedical science and translational medicine and directed the research of a United States Veteran's Affair biomedical laboratory during and after his graduate studies. While in law school, Marco interned for Judge Jimmie v. Reyna in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, the court with exclusive jurisdiction over all appeals in patent cases across the United States.