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Tim Oyer has served as President and Managing Partner of Wolf Greenfield since 2007.

Tim's practice involves worldwide intellectual property counseling, including patent prosecution, re-issues, opinions, agreements, foreign oppositions, trademarks, trade secrets, IP due diligence and related transactions in essentially all areas of organic and inorganic chemistry, polymers and materials science, nanotechnology, microfluidics, and biotechnology. Tim is based in Boston, but also supports clients from the firm's New York office.

Tim counsels clients in industry and academia, from venture-backed high-tech companies building domestic and international intellectual property portfolios, to larger companies with mature product streams, in all cases aligning IP strategy with client business goals. Tim also serves venture capital firms in evaluating the IP position of companies that are the target of potential investment.

Before entering graduate school at MIT, Tim was involved in epidemiology research at the Harvard School of Public Health. He also has industrial chemical research experience, and he has authored several publications in both the chemical and legal fields.

Education

Goshen College, BA,
Chemistry

Massachusetts Institute
of Technology, PhD,
Inorganic Chemistry

Suffolk University Law
School, JD

Practice Groups

Biotechnology

Chemical & Materials
Technologies

Licensing & Transactions

Pharmaceutical

Client testimonial:

"Tim is incredible at client service and decision-making skills and has access to the best people in the firm."

Client testimonial:

"For someone as busy as Tim is, he always makes sure he is on top of what is going on with our portfolio and projects and makes sure the attorneys are getting the work done. He spends a lot of time managing the relationship."

Client testimonial:

"When I need to speak with Tim—weekends or evenings—he is always available."

Experience

- For many years, have counseled several major universities on patent strategies and portfolio development as well as identifying dominating and potentially interfering subject matter for use in licensing negotiations.
- For startup diagnostics company, provided strategic advice regarding IP development, positioning portfolios, and negotiating with partners, resulting in client's ascent into dominant position in its field.
- For a client in the rechargeable battery industry, developed multi-faceted approach for dealing with competitor with potentially troubling patent application, emerging with better-than-expected results.
- Frequent advisor to venture capital firms and other investors on IP strengths and risks associated with start-up companies in which they may invest.
- Evaluated complex patent portfolios and developed strategies to best position startup clients in world-wide coordinated efforts.

Activities

- American Bar Association
- American Chemical Society
- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM)
- Boston Bar Association - Past co-chair, Intellectual Property Committee
- Boston Patent Law Association
- Licensing Executives Society (LES), Past chair, Nanotechnology Committee
- MIT Alumni Association
- MIT Corporation, Visiting Committee for Department of

Chemistry

- Sigma Xi

Recognition

Tim has been repeatedly named to the list of Massachusetts Super Lawyers in the field of intellectual property law, and to *The Best Lawyers in America*©.

Tim has also repeatedly been named a "Life Science Star" by *LMG Life Sciences*. The *LMG Life Sciences* guide is based on nearly 1,000 interviews and surveys completed by partners active in the market, interviews with clients and leading lawyers, and review of public information.