

McGlinchey Stafford Attorneys Named to National Intellectual Property Association Leadership

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McGlinchey Stafford is proud to announce the selection of **Drew Patty** and **Mary Drabnis, PhD**, Members of the firm's Baton Rouge office, to leadership in the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA).

Drew Patty has been installed as Vice-chair of the AIPLA's Chemical Practice Committee, and Mary Drabnis has been named Vice-chair of the AIPLA's Patent Cooperation Treaty Issues Committee. Each appointment is for a 2-year term beginning in 2019. AIPLA is a leading association dedicated exclusively to intellectual property professionals in the United States.

A graduate of Tulane University and The University of North Carolina School of Law, Mr. Patty has over 23 years of experience in the practice of patent, trademark, and copyright law and litigation. Dr. Drabnis studied at Rutgers University, obtained her doctorate in Chemistry from the University of Southern California, and obtained her law degree from Louisiana State University while practicing as a patent agent. She has over 18 years of experience as a patent attorney and 20 years of experience as a patent agent. While practicing together over the past 20 years, they have managed thousands of foreign and domestic patent applications for inventors, universities, and companies, with special emphasis in the specialty chemical and oil field service industries.

"McGlinchey Stafford's Intellectual Property team is committed to leading in our field, in service of our clients and their business goals," says Patty, who leads the firm's IP practice. "Leadership roles in organizations such as AIPLA allow us to stay abreast of the ever-changing markets in which inventors, researchers, and creators operate. This industry insight affords us the opportunity to deliver innovative, proactive counsel to our clients."

McGlinchey Stafford's Intellectual Property Group comprises attorneys from various offices within the U.S. with significant strength in issues facing a variety of industries, including the chemical, oil and gas, energy storage, medical software and devices, financial services, and industrial services industries. This team of attorneys secures and defends vital patent, copyright, trademark, and trade secret rights, with success in procuring the grant of hundreds of patent applications and in resolving complex IP issues and litigation.

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