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Serving as Chair of the Intellectual Property & Technology Group at the firm, Terry Wright is a Registered Patent Attorney whose practice focuses on designing and implementing intellectual property protection strategies. Terry has extensive experience advising clients ranging from small, privately held companies to multi-national, publicly traded companies. He regularly prepares protection plans for intellectual property associated with consumer goods, medical and other mechanical devices, and life sciences-associated technologies. As part of his practice, Terry routinely focuses on multiple areas of intellectual property protection, including trademark and copyright issues, licensing agreements, and patent-related aspects of intellectual property, such as patent drafting, patent prosecution and counseling clients on infringement, validity and patentability.

Contributing to his practice is a background in life sciences and chemistry, with academic research experience in the areas of cardiovascular biology, molecular and cellular biology, pharmacology, and biotechnology. He also maintains a vast understanding of the mechanical arts and material sciences, including the underlying processes, reactions, and chemical interactions associated with the material sciences field.

# CAPABILITIES

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## Practice Areas

- Biotechnology/Life Sciences
- Clinical Research, Clinical Trials & Risk Management
- Entrepreneurial Services
- Health Care - Life Sciences Technology & Commercialization
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Intellectual Property Litigation
- Manufacturing
- Patent Prosecution & Protection
- Trademarks

## RECENT ASSIGNMENTS

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- Counseled companies and Technology Transfer and Licensing Offices of various Universities regarding strategies for protecting patent-based intellectual property.
- Developed a comprehensive patent protection strategy that protected multiple new product lines for a leading visco-elastic foam bedding manufacturer.
- Assisted various research institutions and private and publicly traded companies in establishing and managing international patent portfolios involving applications and patents in regions and countries including Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Europe, France, Germany, Greece, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Russia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States.
- Assisted a large plastic film manufacturer in developing and implementing appropriate patent strategies to protect new thermoplastic film products, preparation methods, and related equipment.

## BAR ADMISSIONS

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- Kentucky
- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky
- U.S. District Court for the Western District of Kentucky
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

## RECENT NEWS, ARTICLES & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

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- Opening Session - Bourbon Brings It Together: Bourbon and Intellectual Property panelist, AUTM Central Region Meeting, Louisville, KY, July 15, 2024
- New Guidance from the USPTO Aims to Clarify Patent-Eligible Subject Matter Determination Stites & Harbison Client Alert, January 15, 2019
- Identifying and Implementing an Intellectual Property Protection Strategy for your Business Marshall University Technology Transfer Office seminar, Huntington, W.Va., September 14, 2018
- Intellectual Property Protection Marshall University Technology Transfer Office seminar, Huntington, W.Va., September 14, 2018
- Patents, Trade Secrets, Copyrights, and Trademarks – Selecting the Right Protection for Your Intellectual Property Assets  
*The Lane Report*, Research Kentucky 2018, March 2018
- Summer associate programs: How they work, who they work for by David Serchuk, *Louisville Business First*, December 4, 2015
- Framework for Determining Eligibility for U.S. Patent Protection Professional Insight, *Business First of Louisville*, January 30, 2015
- Intellectual Property Panel Discussion, Louisville Downtown Partnership and Midwest Clean Energy, The Nucleus, Louisville, Ky., May 29, 2014

- International Patent Prosecution and PCT Practice  
Kentucky BioAlliance Intellectual Property Forum, Louisville, Ky., June 2011
- Protecting Intellectual Property  
Kauffman FastTrac Tech Venture Program, University of Louisville, May 2011
- Biotechnology Patent Prosecution  
Co-moderator, Association of University Technology Managers Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, Nev., March 2011
- Intellectual Property Protection in a University Setting  
Marshall University, January 2011
- Intellectual Property Protection in a University Setting  
Marshall University, August 2010
- Patent Law Ethics: The Changing Landscape of Materiality  
Louisville Bar Association, Louisville, Ky., June 2010
- Innovation and the Patentability of Natural Phenomena  
Second Annual Conference in Innovation and Communications Law, Louisville, Ky., August 2009
- The Developing Landscape of Biotechnology Patent Law  
Co-moderator, Association of University Technology Managers Annual Meeting, Orlando, Fla., February 2009
- Judicial Patent Reform: Implications for Biotechnology  
Tennessee Biotechnology Association Annual Meeting, Nashville, Tenn., October 2008
- Patent Law 101 for the Health Care Industry  
Louisville Bar Association, Louisville, Ky., May 2008
- Cardiac-specific blockade of NF- $\kappa$ B in cardiac pathophysiology: differences between acute and chronic stimuli in vivo  
Brown M, McGuinness M, Wright T, Ren X, Wang Y, Boivin GP, Hahn H, Feldman AM, Jones WK, *Am J Physiol Heart Circ Physiol.* 289(1):H466-76 (2005)
- The Role of NF- $\kappa$ B in Myocardial Ischemia Reperfusion Injury  
Keystone Symposia, Keystone, Colo., March 2002

- Ablation of Myocardial NF-kB signaling in a Mouse Model of TNF-a overexpression  
Keystone Symposia, Keystone, Colo., March 2002

## FIRM LEADERSHIP

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- Intellectual Property & Technology Service Group, Chair
- Recruiting Committee, Past Chair

## MEMBERSHIPS

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- American Bar Association
- Kentucky Bar Association
- Louisville Bar Association , Intellectual Property Section
- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
- Association of University Technology Managers (AUTM)

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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- Fund for the Arts, Board of Directors
- Health Enterprises Network, former member of Board of Directors

## EDUCATION

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University of Louisville Louis D. Brandeis School of Law J.D. *cum laude* 2007

- *Journal of Law and Education*, 2005-06

- Highest Grade: Patent Litigation, Trademark Law, Basic Legal Skills, Constitutional Law II, Professional Responsibility

- Judge Lawrence Grauman Scholarship

- Brandeis Intellectual Property Association, Vice-President

- Intellectual Property Internship, University of Louisville, Office of Technology Transfer

University of Louisville M.S., Pharmacology and Toxicology 2003

University of Cincinnati College of Medicine Pharmacology and Toxicology 2002

- National Institutes of Health Scientist Training Grant; Graduate Student Research Assistantship

University of Louisville B.S., Biology 2000

## MORE THAN STITES & HARBISON

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Before joining Stites & Harbison, Terry worked as a scientific research associate in laboratories at both the University of Cincinnati and the University of Louisville.

## ACCOLADES

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- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Patent Law (2019-24)
- *Kentucky Super Lawyers*®, Intellectual Property (2019-20, 2022-24)
- *Kentucky Super Lawyers*®, Rising Star (2013-17)
- *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business*, Intellectual Property (2020-23)

## TESTIMONIALS

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" Terry Wright is highlighted for his strong patent practice, which sees him regularly advise on the development of complex IP protection plans. "

- *Chambers Commentary (USA)*