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Grant Ehrlich, Ph.D. advises technology-based companies on developing and implementing effective intellectual property (IP) strategies. He has extensive experience drafting and prosecuting patents, as well as preparing non-infringement, invalidity, and freedom-to-operate opinions. His work spans diverse fields including clean energy and electrochemical systems (batteries, fuel cells, carbon capture, and electrolysis), materials (ceramics, lubricants, metals, minerals, and thermoelectric materials), chemicals (catalysts and detergents), water treatment, medical devices (implants, oxygenators), and emerging technologies such as quantum materials, sensors, and optical systems for displays and wavelength conversion. Grant has contributed to multiple IPR petitions directed to battery technology. In addition, he has licensing experience and has prepared and negotiated domestic and international patent license agreements, technology transfer agreements, and material transfer agreements. Grant's law practice draws on his engineering experience at Yardney Technical Products (now EaglePicher) and United Technologies Corporation (now Raytheon), as well as his Ph.D. in chemistry. He also has litigation experience as an expert in batteries, electrochemistry, and materials characterization.

CAPABILITIES

Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Licensing
- Trademarks
- Patent Prosecution & Protection
- Environmental, Energy & Sustainability
- Mergers & Acquisitions

- Chemistry & Materials

BAR ADMISSIONS

- Connecticut
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

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FIRM LEADERSHIP

- Hartford Office Executive Member (2024-present)

MEMBERSHIPS

- American Intellectual Property Law Association
- Association of University Technology Managers
- American Bar Association
- Intellectual Property Owners Association (IPO)
- Connecticut Intellectual Property Law Association,
 - President (2017-18)
- The Electrochemical Society,

- former Chair of the New England Section
- SAE,
 - Committee G-21B on Counterfeit and Substandard Batteries

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- UConn-TIP (Technology Incubation Program) Bioscience, Entrepreneurship, Volunteer Advisor (2016-present)
- [University of Connecticut, Institute of Materials Science](#), Advisory Board Member

EDUCATION

- University of Connecticut School of Law J.D., *With Honors* 2008
- The University of Nantes Visiting Scientist, 1994-95
- Cornell University Ph.D., Chemistry 1995
- Cornell University M.S., Inorganic Chemistry 1991
- Grinnell College B.A., Chemistry, 1989

BESIDES STITES & HARBISON

Grant has significant past engineering experience including Research Scientist with Yardney Technical Products (1995-2000), Project Leader with UTC Fuel Cells (2000-04), and Program Manager with Pratt & Whitney (2004-07). Prior to joining Stites & Harbison, he was a Patent Agent and then an attorney with a large intellectual property law firm (2007-24).

ACCOLADES

- *Best Lawyers in America*®, Patent Law (2025-26)
- Two Eagle Awards, Pratt & Whitney
- NASA Space Act Award, Yardney Technical Products
- SBA Tibbetts Award, Yardney Technical Products