



## Garrett J. Tobin

### Associate

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## OVERVIEW

Garrett Tobin is an associate at the firm's Pittsburgh office. He focuses his practice on intellectual property (IP) law, primarily relating to IP procurement and portfolio management.

Garrett has multiple years of experience in patent preparation and prosecution before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. He has done patent-related work in a wide variety of technical concentrations including the chemical, material science, mechanical, nuclear, computer hardware and software, cybersecurity, and medical device areas.

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Garrett has been registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office since 2018. Prior to joining the firm as an associate, during law school, he held roles in the firm's Pittsburgh office as a patent technical specialist and a summer associate. He also formerly was a patent prosecution intern for an IP law firm located in Arizona and participated in the University of Arizona Law School IP Clinic.

Prior to law school, Garrett worked as an engineer and project manager for over seven years. During that time, he designed and built process equipment for various industrial facilities in the chemical, steel, aluminum, and oil and gas industries. He has hands-on experience related to pump and fan design, piping systems, HVAC systems, air pollution control systems, industrial ventilation, equipment fabrication, control system design, and system startup.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Herlihy Memorial Award for top 2L class standing
- Richard R. Fish Memorial Award for best-in-class 1L legal writing performance
- Suzanne Rabe Award for best brief: Fegtly Moot Court Competition
- CALI Excellence Awards in Patent Law, Contract Drafting, Advanced Legal Writing, Legal Research Analysis and Communication I, Legal Research Analysis and Communication II, and Evidence

## EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Arizona, James E. Rogers College of Law, 2021 (*summa cum laude*, *Order of the Coif*, *Arizona Law Review*, *Certificate in Intellectual Property*)
- M.B.A, Waynesburg University, 2017
- Pennsylvania State University, 2009 (*Chemical Engineering*)

## ADMISSIONS

- Bar of Pennsylvania
- United States Patent and Trademark Office

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Fencing off: Protecting market products under US patent law,” *World IP Review*, 23 September 2022
- *Is the USPTO Turning Alice into EPC Art. 52?*, 62 ARIZ L. REV. 1121 (2020)

## AREAS OF FOCUS

- IP Procurement and Portfolio Management