

## Ellen Resnick Smith

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Ellen Smith is a Partner at Sughrue Mion PLLC. Having started her legal career with Sughrue in 1997, Ellen provides extensive patent counseling for clients ranging from large multi-national corporations to small business ventures. Her counseling includes freedom-to-operate, infringement, and validity opinions.

Ellen's dedicated experience in the patent space for over 25 years has provided her clients with respected strategic advice for developing and protecting their intellectual property portfolios, including developing strategies for establishing, protecting, preserving and enforcing those patent rights in the U.S. and abroad.

Her practice encompasses the entire period of prosecution of a patent, from the initial drafting of the application to conducting oral hearings at the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. Her technical experience in the broad spectrum of mechanical arts ranges from fiber-optic connectors to athletic shoe designs to off-shore oil rigs. Examples of Ellen's diverse technological prosecution experience includes medical devices, semiconductors, aircraft structure and operation, underground mining technologies, batteries, autonomous vehicle system management and devices, farm and construction equipment, cosmetic packaging, waste recycling management and oil/petroleum technologies.

### Services

- Electrical / Mechanical

### Education

- George Mason University (J.D.)
- Tufts University (B.S.)
  - Civil Engineering

### Bar Admissions

- District of Columbia
- Maryland
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

### Memberships

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- American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA)
- American Bar Association (ABA)
- Maryland State Bar Association
- Registered Professional Engineer (PE)
- DC Bar Association- Intellectual Property Law Section, 2010-2011 Steering Committee Member