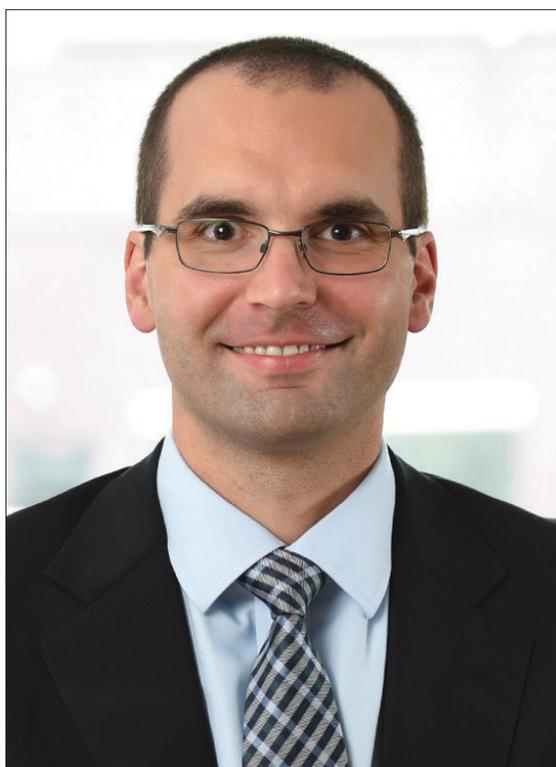




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With a Ph.D. in organic chemistry and an understanding of biotechnology, among other disciplines, Ney has the background to represent pharmaceutical clients in matters that include new chemical entities, second medical uses and pharmaceutical formulations. In addition, he has experience litigating and prosecuting patents related to chemical products and processes. He uses his technical expertise in intellectual property law.

What does practicing law mean to you personally and professionally?

I view the practice of patent law as an opportunity to use my gifts and talents to help my clients succeed. Before law school, I earned a Ph.D. in organic chemistry. I was drawn to a career in patent law by the intellectual challenges of the practice and by the opportunity to leverage my scientific background as part of my legal practice. The most gratifying part of my practice, however, is not in confronting intellectual challenges for their own sake, but in using my skills and training to identify and meet my clients' needs. What risks does my client face? How can my client be more profitable? What is keeping my client awake at night? When I can help my clients to answer those questions, I feel that I have done my job as their attorney.

Name an ambitious goal that you would like to accomplish in your career.

I would like to be known as an honest person who represents his clients to the best of his ability.

Outside of family, who was an important mentor in your life, how did this person impact your career and what advice did they offer.

I consider a number of attorneys in my firm to be mentors. Their advice has shaped the way

that I view my role as a lawyer. Taken in aggregate, their advice boils down to the premise that an effective lawyer not only provides sound legal advice, but also makes his or her clients' jobs easier and reduces their stress.

Looking ahead 10 years, what will be the most significant change for lawyers from how they practice today?

Technology (including artificial intelligence) will become an ever-larger presence in the practice of law. Lawyers will need to leverage that technology in their practice in order to provide competitive legal services at competitive rates.

What are two things about you that not many people know?

My favorite thing to do in my spare time is to take my kids for a run in the jogging stroller. I built a wooden canoe while I was in college. The idea for building the canoe originated in a vague fantasy of paddling down the Yukon River and my belief that it would be cheaper to build a canoe than to buy one. My assumption about the cost proved to be wrong by a factor of 10 (to say nothing of the hundreds of hours spent on the project), and the Yukon adventure never materialized. But I still have the wooden canoe.

How would you describe yourself in one word?

Objective