Electrical Engineer Patent Analyst/Agent Los Angeles Office

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Responsibilities:

We are seeking to hire a Electrical Engineering patent analyst/agent. This is an extraordinary opportunity to join one of the finest law firms representing companies involved in developing and commercializing highly-innovative technologies in the marketplace. Morrison & Foerster works closely with clients from the earliest stages of their technical development, offering valuable advice about how to protect their inventions and ideas in view of business strategies.

Patent analysts/agents participate in domestic and foreign patent prosecution. They are responsible for drafting new patent applications, preparing substantive documents related to prosecution, and contributing to prosecution strategy. They work directly with patent examiners and clients, including inventors, technology transfer administrators, in house patent practitioners, the attorneys of client companies, and foreign associates.

Patent analysts/agents provide technical and legal research and analysis with respect to matters pending before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. They participate in the planning, completion and interpretation of literature searches using both on-line databases and other search techniques. They are expected to be highly familiar with the technological resources available to practitioners in the firm.

Patent analysts/agents provide technical support for patent interference and litigation proceedings, including the review and analysis of technical documents such as prior art, laboratory notebooks, technical memoranda, deposition transcripts and file histories. They locate and interview technical experts, consultants, and expert witnesses, as well as assist in the preparation of depositions and expert witness testimony. They advise and educate firm litigators in the relevant areas of science and technology, both verbally and by written memoranda. They aid attorneys in the preparation of legal opinions and in planning strategies for clients' patent portfolios.

At all times, patent analysts/agents are expected to work as part of a team with other members of the Patent Group, and to seek guidance from, and report back to, the supervising attorneys in the Patent Group.

Qualifications:

The successful analyst/agent candidate will have a strong scientific background in electrical engineering with little work experience in patent prosecution. Strong writing and oral communication skills are a MUST. Admission to the USPTO is preferred, but not required. A candidate with a Masters degree in Electrical Engineering is a PLUS.

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