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Dr. Richard R. Eckman is a trusted legal advisor providing intellectual property (IP) services. His practice includes worldwide patent estate procurement and patentability, freedom to operate, landscape and IP life cycle management, foreign oppositions and patent litigation issues, diligence investigations and regulatory requirements, as well as licensing and capture of critical technologies. Dr. Eckman fights for broad patent claims and strong, comprehensive protection of clients' inventions. Clients benefit from his experience in numerous patent lawsuits in U.S. District Courts and other patent courts.

Versatility with a high level of technical expertise is the touchstone of Dr. Eckman's practice. As a research scientist, Dr. Eckman developed remarkably creative technical skills and knowledge that are used to help clients achieve their IP goals. As a patent attorney, he handles the tough questions, delves thoroughly into pertinent technologies, and creates expansive solutions for patent issues. He has a keen appreciation for the relationship between clients' IP and their business strategy and marketing.

His extensive experience includes patenting and protecting various biologic and pharmaceutical medicines and treatments, inventions in genomic sciences, lipids and drug delivery systems, diagnostics, life science tools, nucleic acid therapeutics, gene editing and CRISPR methodologies, biotechnology, vaccines, green technology, medical devices, and nanotechnology.

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Dr. Eckman also has deep experience in fields of electronics, physics, and computers. He is versed in electromagnetics, solar cells and optoelectronics, computer and software control, advanced instrumentation, display technologies, imaging methodologies, microwave and radiowave, solid state electronics, and digital arts.

Dr. Eckman has represented companies large and small, from giants in the marketplace to early stage ventures. He offers decades of legal and practical experience in strategies for intellectual property to protect and develop new products.