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Whether advising a clean energy startup on product development or doing patent prosecution on behalf of a pharmaceutical company to protect drug innovation, Dr. Cara Crowley-Weber's goal is to help clients increase the value of their companies via their intellectual property.

Cara is experienced in securing, protecting, managing and monetizing intellectual property in the life sciences sector, including pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, animal health, medical devices and diagnostics, and health care services. She draws upon both her cancer biology and pharmacology research background and years of experience as a patent attorney to help her clients' businesses continue to innovate and thrive.

Cara works with companies from coast to coast providing counsel on patent portfolio management and business strategies to drive revenue based on intellectual property in the biotechnology, pharmaceutical, chemical, energy, and agriculture industries. Cara's work includes advising clients on intellectual property matters related to freedom-to-operate assessments, non-infringement and invalidity assessments, due diligence for mergers and acquisitions or investments, licensing agreements, and U.S. and foreign patent prosecution.

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Cara obtained her PhD from the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center in Microbiology and Immunology, with a minor in Pharmacology and Toxicology. Her thesis and supporting research focused on the identification of biomarkers indicative of a predisposition to colon cancer.

As focused outside as she is in her practice, Cara is an avid runner and mountain biker.

Representative Transactions

- IAM Patent 1000, Recommended Expert – Patent Prosecution, Intellectual Asset Management, 2015-2017
- US 8,771,696 Method of reducing the severity of stress hyperglycemia with human antibodies to the glucagon receptor
- US 8,445,434 IGF-1 fusion polypeptides and therapeutic uses thereof
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- US 8,414,876 Methods of using IL-1 antagonists to treat autoinflammatory disease
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- US 7,361,476 Methionyl tRNA synthetase polynucleotides
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- Caspase-6 mediated cleavage of guanylate cyclase alpha 1 during deoxycholate-induced apoptosis: protective role of the nitric oxide signaling module, Co-Author, Cell Biol Toxicol, 19(6):373-92, November 2003
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