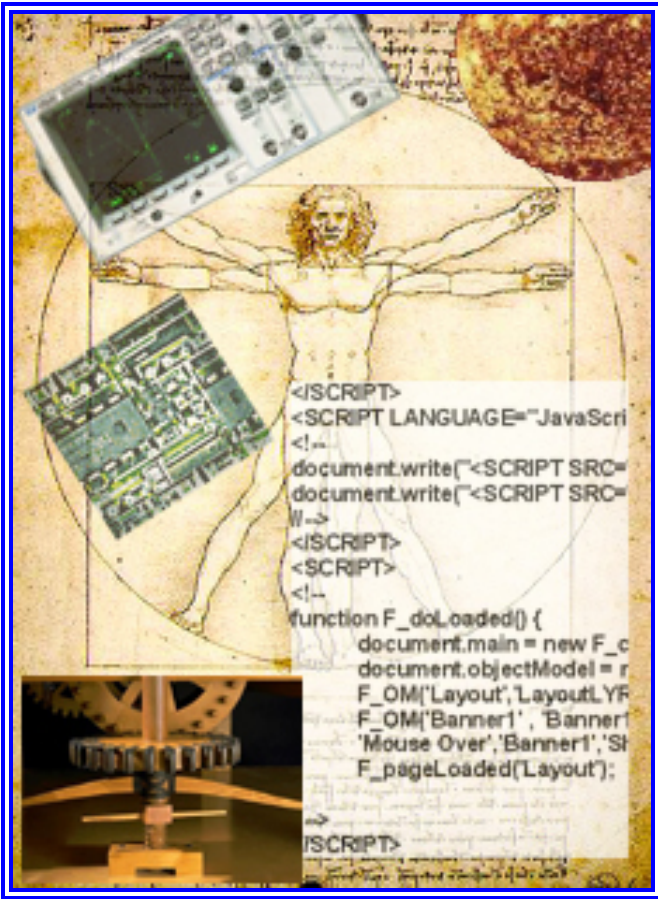


# PATENT PROSECUTION LEGAL SERVICES



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## 1.0 **Introduction**

Members of **LYON & HARR, LLP** have prepared and prosecuted complex patent applications for corporate clients over many years. Feedback from inventors indicates that they prefer to work with our attorneys over other firms because we are more technically knowledgeable and easy to work with. There are several reasons for this:

- Our attorneys strive to write the highest quality patents, and try to minimize the time and effort that an in-house legal team and the inventors must spend to get these applications on file and issued.
- Our ability to handle the “tough” cases involving complex algorithm-based technologies has been proven over many years.
- The attorneys of **LYON & HARR, LLP** have an excellent working relationship with our corporate clients, their staff, foreign associates, researchers and outside inventors. Inventors often ask for us by name over other counsel because we make the patenting experience an easy and pleasant one.
- Our attorneys have extensive technical education and experience.
  - Our attorneys have had many years of computer, electronics, networking, and other engineering work experience prior to becoming patent attorneys.
  - Our attorneys have extensive experience in writing and prosecuting patents. In fact, all of our attorneys have ten or more years of patent prosecution experience.
- **LYON & HARR, LLP** is a small, woman-owned business that thrives in a challenging environment of changing and evolving technologies, and we are ready, willing and able to adapt to a client’s changing requirements and needs.
- ***We are the Outside Counsel that “You don’t have to worry about.”***

## **2.0 Our Expertise**

**LYON & HARR, LLP** attorneys have written and prosecuted patent applications in a variety of technological fields, and we have provided services to many major corporations. Most notably we have acted as outside counsel for Microsoft's research department since 1998. We in particular consider ourselves to be experts at preparing and prosecuting patent applications for complex algorithm-based computer-implemented inventions.

Some of the other high tech companies that members of **LYON & HARR, LLP** have prepared and prosecuted patents for include: Northrop Grumman, Raytheon E-Systems, Applied Materials, California Institute of Technology (Caltech), Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Lockheed-Calcomp, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), and XIRCOM, among others.

A few of the technologies **LYON & HARR, LLP** has written patents in include: computer software; computer hardware and architecture; electronics; electro-optics; electro-mechanics; material sciences; satellite communications; robotics; semiconductor devices and fabrication; medical devices; infrared communications systems; signal processing, and image and audio recording and processing.

## **3.0 Our Commitment**

We at **LYON & HARR, LLP** believe a major part of our success is owed to the rapport we establish with our client's legal team and inventors. It is our goal to minimize the time and effort that a company must invest to get applications on file and issued. Inventors often ask for us by name over other outside counsel because we make the patenting experience an easy and pleasant one.

We at **LYON & HARR, LLP** also strive to be timely. For example, it is our policy to have draft applications in the hands of the inventors for review at least one month in advanced of the desired filing date. In addition, we very infrequently exceed the shortened statutory period set for responses to Office Actions.

**LYON & HARR, LLP** attorneys take great pride in writing the high quality patents in a timely manner.

**LYON & HARR, LLP** considers all of our projects and assignments to be a team effort, and we act together to provide the best possible result.

We at **LYON & HARR, LLP** can readily adapt to your procedures and requirements, and are able to quickly implement changes.

**LYON & HARR, LLP** is comfortable working on fixed fee or an hourly basis, but has offered fixed fee services for many years.

## **4.0 Team Composition and Experience**

Our legal team consists of four patent attorneys and one legal assistant. These team members include:

### **RICHARD T. LYON (Managing Partner / Patent Attorney):**

#### ***Background:***

- Born in Kansas City, Missouri, 1958
- Admitted to bar, 1992, California; 2004, District of Columbia; 1993, 1997, U.S. District Court, Central/Southern Districts of California
- Registered to practice before U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 1992

#### ***Education:***

- University of Kansas, (B.S.M.E., 1982)
- Ventura College of Law (J.D., Valedictorian, 1992)

#### ***Work History:***

- Partner, Lyon & Harr, LLP, November 1997 to present
- Partner, Michaelson & Wallace, Ventura, California 1995-1997, Associate Patent Attorney, 1992-1995
- Project Engineer, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Missile Systems Department, Port Hueneme, California, 1982-1992

### **KATRINA A. (HARR) LYON (Partner / Patent Attorney):**

#### ***Background:***

- Born in Vicenza, Italy, 1960
- Admitted to bar, 1996, California; U.S. District Court, Central District of California, 1996
- Registered to practice before U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 1998

#### ***Education:***

- Michigan State University, East Lansing (B.S. Engineering, 1983)
- University of Southern California (M.S., Phi Kappa Phi, 1989)
- Ventura College of Law (J.D., Valedictorian, 1996)

#### ***Work History:***

- Partner, Lyon & Harr, LLP, November 1997 to present
- Associate Attorney (June 1996-May 1997), Law Clerk (September 1994-June 1996), Michaelson & Wallace, Ventura, California
- Project Engineer, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Test & Analysis Department, Port Hueneme, California, 1983-1996

#### ***Additional Languages:***

- German

### **CRAIG S. FISCHER (Senior Associate / Patent Attorney):**

#### ***Background:***

- Born in Oxnard, California, 1960
- Admitted to bar, 1997, California
- Registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 1998

#### ***Education:***

- University of Southern California (B.S.A.E, 1989; M.S.A.E, 1991)
- Syracuse University (J.D. 1996)

#### ***Work History:***

- Patent Attorney, Lyon & Harr, LLP March 1999 to present
- Patent Attorney, Michaelson & Wallace, September 1996 to March 1999
- Research Engineer, Northrop Electronic Division, 1991-1992

**MARK A. WATSON (Senior Associate / Patent Attorney):**

***Background:***

- Born in Los Angeles, California, 1964
- Admitted to bar, 1997, California
- Registered to practice before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 1997

***Education:***

- California State University, Northridge (B.S. Engineering, 1987)
- Ventura College of Law (J.D., 1997)

***Work History:***

- Patent Attorney, Lyon & Harr, LLP, 1998 to present
- Project Engineer, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Test & Analysis Department, Port Hueneme, California, 1987-1998.

● **ASHLEY E. STEINBACH (Legal Assistant):**

***Background:***

- Admitted to bar, 2003, California

***Education:***

- University of California San Diego, La Jolla, CA (B.S. Cognitive Science, 1998)
- University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco, CA (J.D., 2002)

***Work History:***

- Legal Assistant, Lyon & Harr, LLP, February 2003 to present.

**5.0 Summary**

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