

Covington & Burling LLP seeks to hire first-year law students with a sincere interest in science and technology to join our Patent Litigation Summer Associate Program in our Los Angeles, New York, Palo Alto, San Francisco, and Washington, DC offices.

Overview

Covington's 1L Patent Litigation Summer Program offers aspiring patent litigators the opportunity to receive in-depth training and tailored mentoring from lawyers in our award-winning Patent Litigation practice. Designed as a two-summer experience spanning both the 1L and 2L summers, the program provides meaningful hands-on experience, individualized mentoring, and opportunities to develop substantive litigation skills and lasting professional relationships. Our summer associates are integrated into active litigation teams and receive substantive assignments that offer firsthand exposure to the work of our full-time associates. Through close collaboration with our lawyers, participants gain insight into the legal, technical, and strategic challenges at the heart of sophisticated patent litigation.

Covington's internationally recognized Patent Litigation practice represents leading companies across the life sciences and technology sectors in their most consequential disputes. Our lawyers are consistently recognized by *Chambers & Partners*, *Managing IP*, *The American Lawyer*, *Law360*, and other leading publications.

Candidates with backgrounds in life sciences, electrical engineering, computer science, or physics are particularly encouraged to apply. This opportunity is intended for candidates interested in pursuing a career in patent litigation and joining the practice upon graduation.

How to Apply

To apply, please submit the following materials through our [applicant portal](#).

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Undergraduate Transcript
- Law School Transcript*
- Writing Sample*
- List of References*

**May be submitted later*

Please note that consideration for this position is separate from consideration for our general 2028 2L Summer Associate position. Interested candidates should apply separately to each position following instructions on our website.

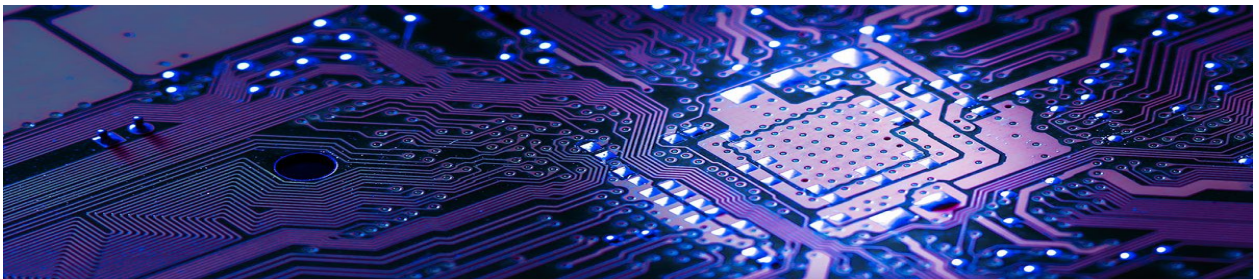
Resources

- [Firm Website](#)
- [Summer Associate Program Brochure](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Salary

Summer associates are paid a weekly salary of \$4,326.

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“Standout litigation practice representing the biggest names in the life sciences, pharmaceutical and hi-tech sectors. Possesses a particularly deep bench of patent litigators, and is recommended for representations in ITC Section 337 investigations as well as before the PTAB.”

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