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Charlotte Jacobsen is a USPTO-qualified, first-chair litigator with advanced scientific degrees and a deep understanding of chemistry, biology and biotechnology. For 20 years, Charlotte has represented clients in complex chemical, pharmaceutical and biotechnology patent and licensing disputes. She has been lead trial counsel and won cases in the federal district courts, before the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, and *inter partes* review proceedings before the Patent Trial and Appeal Board. She also has experience with arbitrations before the American Arbitration Association (AAA) and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), and with pre-litigation work having handled comprehensive preparatory investigations for numerous blockbuster products.

Recognized as a leading litigator by *Chambers USA*, insiders state that “Charlotte is known to be knowledgeable and gives practical legal advice.” She frequently provides strategic advice concerning ongoing patent litigations, including assessing the risks associated with ANDA and other patent litigations for private equity and M&A deals.

In addition, Charlotte is admitted to practice in England & Wales and provides her clients with a unique global perspective. Prior to joining her previous firm, Charlotte practiced as a barrister and handled cases before every venue of importance in the U.K., including the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom. Charlotte also has significant experience with patent oppositions before the European Patent Office, and over the last decade, Charlotte has coordinated multiple international IP disputes, skillfully devising and executing global litigation strategies.

Employing her strong foundation in biology and chemistry, Charlotte has handled cases concerning small molecule and biologic therapeutics, platform technologies, methods of treatment, and diagnostics. Charlotte’s cases have spanned a broad range of therapeutic areas, including oncology, immunosuppression, contraception, as well as various viral, cardiovascular, and neurological diseases. While obtaining her master’s degree, Charlotte was recognized by the British Academy of Forensic Science for her research into the use of DNA profiling of bears to combat illegal poaching in Canada.

Charlotte regularly speaks and writes on developments in patent law, particularly concerning Hatch-Waxman and BPCIA matters. She is also consistently recognized for her outstanding work by organizations such as Managing IP, Lexology Index (formerly Who’s Who Legal), Lawdragon, and LMG Life Sciences. Known for her “rare qualifications and experience among US Practitioners,” Charlotte was named to *IAM Patent’s* list (2022-2025) of the “world’s leading patent professionals.” In 2025, Charlotte was named Hatch-Waxman Litigator of the Year (Branded) by LMG Life Sciences and a leading member of the team that won Life Sciences Impact Case of the Year.

Experience

Capabilities

Intellectual Property
Antitrust and Competition
Appellate and Constitutional Law
FDA and Health Care
International Arbitration
Life Sciences
Litigation
Media, Entertainment, and Technology
Technology Transactions

Credentials

Education

Columbia University - 2008 Master of Laws
Inns of Court School of Law - 2003 Postgraduate Diploma in Law
City University London - 2002 Common Professional Exam in Law
King's College London - 2001 MSc Forensic Science
University of Cambridge - 2000 Master of Arts

Admissions

New York Bar
England & Wales - Barrister

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- Representing a pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning the anti-viral agent VEMLIDY.
- Representing a global pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of New Jersey concerning the TAVNEOS for the treatment of severe active anti-neutrophil cytoplasmic autoantibody (ANCA)-associated vasculitis.
- Representing a global pharmaceutical company in a pre-suit investigation for a Hatch-Waxman litigation concerning an extended release formulation.
- Represented a weather simulation company in the Northern District of California in connection with misappropriation of trade secrets related to cutting-edge AI weather forecasting and weather modification technology by a former intern and consultant.
- Representing a pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of New Jersey concerning the anti-HIV agent COMPLERA.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in patent litigation in the District of New Jersey concerning LEQSELVI for alopecia areata, including a successful expedited appeal to the Federal Circuit where the Court vacated a preliminary injunction with immediate effect within an hour of the hearing.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning the anti-cancer agent ZYDELIG.
- Represented Dental Monitoring SAS in patent litigation and IPRs against Align Technology, Inc. in the Northern District of California concerning AI-assisted inventions for clear aligner treatment.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning GENVOYA, a highly successful HIV treatment.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in two Hatch-Waxman litigations in the District of Delaware concerning SYMTUZA, a highly successful HIV treatment.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning LETAIRIS, a medicine used to treat pulmonary arterial hypertension.
- Represented a global pharmaceutical company in a pre-litigation investigation concerning multiple biologics patents under the BPCIA.
- Represented a pharmaceutical company in two Hatch-Waxman pre-litigation investigations concerning antiviral agents.*
- Represented Genosity in a patent infringement litigation brought by Natera in the District of Delaware concerning genetic testing kits.*
- Represented ArcherDX in patent infringement litigations filed by Natera in the District of Delaware relating to methods of amplifying and sequencing cell-free DNA.*
- Represented a global biotechnology company in a patent licensing dispute in AAA arbitration in New York.*
- Lead counsel for a global pharmaceutical company in multiple *inter partes* review proceedings relating to an anti-cancer agent and methods of its use.*
- Lead trial counsel for a global pharmaceutical company Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning the treatment of kidney cancer and pancreatic neuroendocrine cancer.*
- Represented a global pharmaceutical company in *inter partes* review proceedings concerning a compound patent on an immunosuppressant product.*
- Represented a leading pharmaceutical company in a declaratory judgment suit concerning patents on methods of manufacturing monoclonal antibodies.*
- Lead trial counsel for a global pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning patents on a transdermal patch

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product for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease.*

- Trial counsel for a global pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning an immunosuppressant product.*
- Trial counsel for a global pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of Delaware concerning a transdermal patch product for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease and lead counsel in the appeal to the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.*
- Represented an international pharmaceutical company in a Hatch-Waxman litigation in the District of New Jersey concerning an oral contraceptive product.*
- Represented a global biopharmaceutical company in an arbitration before the I.C.C. International Court of Arbitration on a patent license agreement relating to patents on the manufacture of monoclonal antibodies.*
- Represented leading biopharmaceutical companies in Hatch-Waxman litigations in the District of Maryland concerning patents on polymer based pharmaceuticals for the treatment of chronic kidney disease and high cholestrol.*

**Includes matters handled prior to joining Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP*

Awards

- *Chambers & Partners USA* – Leading Litigator (2025-2026)
- *Lexology Index* – "USA – Intellectual Property – Patents" (Recommended, 2023 -2025); (Thought Leader, 2024)
- *Lawdragon* – "500 Leading Litigators in America" (2023-2026)
- *LMG Life Sciences* – "Life Sciences" (Leading Lawyer, 2019-2021); (Star, 2022-2024)
- *IAM Patent* – "World's Leading Patent Professionals" (2022-2026)
- *The Best Lawyers in America*® – Intellectual Property Litigation (2023-2026)

Publications

- Author, "Teva v. Eli Lilly – When Does a Settlement Agreement to End ANDA Litigation End?" (July 2025)
- Co-author, "Brulotte – No Longer a Death Knell for Licensors?" (September 6, 2024)
- Co-author, "The Legal 500: Patent Litigation Comparative Guide" (October 31, 2022)
- Co-author, "Loose Lips Sink Ships: Two Recent District Court Decisions Highlight Some Limits Of The Common Interest Doctrine Both During And In The Settlement Of Patent Litigation" Kluwer Patent Blog (September 23, 2022)
- Co-author, "Is Work From Home a U.S. Venue Work-Around?" Kluwer Patent Blog (January 11, 2022)
- Co-author, "Recent Trends for Section 112 Challenges in PGRs," Kluwer Patent Blog (December 6, 2021)
- Co-author, "Inconsistent Statements to USPTO and FDA May Render Patents Unenforceable," Kluwer Patent Blog (November 10, 2021)
- Co-author, "U.S. District Court Adopts Expansive Definition of a BLA 'Submitter'," Kluwer Patent Blog (September 20, 2021)
- Co-author, "Carve outs and Causation: Moving Away From Hypothetical Hatch-Waxman Infringement," Kluwer Patent Blog (August 24, 2021)
- Co-author, "A Cautionary Tale for Assignment of Rights in U.S. Patents," Kluwer

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Patent Blog (August 17, 2021)

- Co-author, “U.S. Federal Circuit Continues To Pressure BioPharma For More When It Comes To Functional Claims,” Kluwer Patent Blog (February 19, 2021)
- Co-author, “Hatch-Waxman Venue Issue Still Live After Fed. Circ. Ruling,” *Law360* (January 6, 2021)
- Co-author, “Willful Blindness and Enhanced Damages: Is Ignorance Bliss?,” Kluwer Patent Blog (April 6, 2020)
- Co-author, “Does Willful Blindness Beget Enhanced Patent Damages?,” Law360 (February 28, 2020)
- Co-author, “USITC: A Powerful Forum for Biologics Patent Owners,” *Life Sciences Intellectual Property Review* (October 10, 2018)
- “Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc. v. Covidien LP,” Fitzpatrick Case Update (January 14, 2016)
- “Patent Reissue Allows Inventors to Hedge Their Bets,” *The National Law Journal* (October 2011)

Presentations

- Speaker, “How do you Successfully Describe and Enable Technological Advances: Is it a Trick Question?” Life Sciences Patent Network Conference (October 5-7, 2021)
- Speaker, “Patent Term Extension Developments in the U.S. and Europe: Examining the Implications of Biogen v. Banner and Deciphering Europe’s SPC Manufacturing Waiver,” ACI’s 19th Advanced Summit on Life Sciences Patents (July 22, 2021)
- Speaker, “Cross-Border IP Protection and Enforcement in a Changing Landscape,” 3rd Annual International IP Summit (October 20-23, 2020)
- Speaker, “Federal Circuit: A Year in Review,” MIP Virtual Life Sciences Forum (September 23, 2020)
- Speaker, “Written Description and Enablement in Antibody Arts: How Has the Scope of Claim Shifted in the U.S., Europe, and Japan?” ACI’s 18th Annual Life Sciences Patents Conference (August 5-6, 2020)
- Speaker, “Willful Blindness and Enhanced Damages: Litigation and Patent Search Policy,” IPO Webinar (April 9, 2020)
- Speaker, “2019 IP Litigation in Review and How New Case Law Affects Your Litigation Strategy,” Managing IP International Women’s Leadership Forum in San Mateo, California (December 3, 2019)
- Speaker, “Doing Business in China,” Roundtable Series, International IP Summit, Boston College Law School (October 17-18, 2019)
- Speaker, “Misdeeds and Major Ramifications for Patent Litigation – A Survey of Recent Case Law Relating to Attorney’s Fees and Consequences of Bad Behavior During Dealmaking, Prosecution and Litigation,” Managing IP Life Sciences Forum (September 18, 2019)
- Speaker, “New §101 Landscape: Exploring the Latest Developments at the PTO and District Court Relative to Patent Eligibility,” 17th Advanced Summit on Life Sciences Patents (May 15-17, 2019)
- Speaker, “The Present State of Paragraph IV Litigation and Its Impact on the Pharmaceutical Industry: Trends, Legal Analyses and Business Prognoses,” 13th Annual Paragraph IV Disputes (April 29-30, 2019)
- Speaker, “How Do We Ensure Effective Protection of Antibodies?,” World IP Review Life Sciences Patent Network Conference (April 25, 2019)

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- Speaker, “Year in Review: How New Case Law Affects Litigation Strategy,” Managing Intellectual Property International Women’s Leadership Forum 2018 (December 4, 2018)
- Speaker, “Strategies in Second Medical Use Cases,” World IP Review Life Sciences Patent Network (October 16, 2018)
- Speaker, “Patent Trial & Appeal Board (PTAB) to Give Patent Owners the Last Word,” Ropes & Gray Webinar (August 20, 2018)
- Speaker, “IPR Investigation: Diving into IPR Dos and Don’ts,” Life Sciences Patents/Medical Device & MedTech Patents, American Conference Institute (February 21-23, 2018)
- Speaker, “Plausibility and Second Medical Use Patents,” Innovation in Medicines Conference on Second Medical Uses, University College London/Georgetown Law (February 8-9, 2018)
- Speaker, “Antibody Therapeutics: May I Have Them All?” BIO International Convention (June 15-18, 2015)
- Speaker, “Communication with Key Shareholders: Litigation Communication Strategies for In-House Counsel When Actively Engaged in a Paragraph IV Dispute,” Momentum’s Paragraph IV Litigation Strategy Congress (October 29-30, 2014)

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