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Diana Danca's practice focuses on intellectual property and patent infringement matters, emphasizing chemical, biotech, and pharmaceutical patent litigation, under the Hatch-Waxman Act and BPCIA. In addition, she conducts due diligence investigations related to mergers and acquisitions and has rendered opinions on patentability and patent infringement issues. Diana's patent experience spans matters involving a wide range of technologies, including cancer, CNS, ophthalmic disease areas, drug delivery and formulations, small molecule, enantiomers, polymorphs, protein drug product, and protein chemistry and purification.

Before practicing law, Diana worked for several biotech companies as a medicinal chemist, designing and synthesizing novel compounds. She is the co-inventor of NINLARO®, a novel oral proteasome inhibitor approved in 2015 for the treatment of multiple myeloma, and a kinase inhibitor that was tested in Phase I clinical trials. Diana is also a co-inventor on several compound, formulation, and method of treatment pharmaceutical patents. Additionally, she is co-author of several scientific publications in the field of organic and medicinal chemistry.

### Related Practice Areas

- Patents
- Patent Preparation and Prosecution
- Due Diligence
- Opinions
- Freedom to Operate/ Third Party Risk Assessment
- USPTO Post-Grant Proceedings
- Litigation and Litigation Support

### Related Industries

- Pharmaceuticals and Chemicals
- Biotechnology

### Bar Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
- U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

## Languages

- Romanian
- Hungarian

## Memberships

- New York Intellectual Property Law Association (NYIPLA)

## Education

- J.D., 2012, New York Law School
- NIH Post-Doctoral Fellow, 1999-2002, Emory University
- Ph.D., Organic Chemistry, 1999, Wayne State University
- B.A., Chemistry, 1993, Kalamazoo College