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### Areas of Practice

Dr. Nemirow specializes in patent preparation, prosecution and strategy in the pharmaceutical, biotech, and chemical fields. She has extensive experience developing global patent portfolios, particularly covering small molecules, syntheses, polymorphs, formulations, and methods of use. Dr. Nemirow analyzes the validity of patents, freedom-to-operate, and inventorship and provides opinions and litigation strategies regarding validity and infringement in the ANDA context.

Dr. Nemirow also performs due diligence on patent portfolios for various types of transactions, including acquisitions, initial public offerings, and follow-on financing, with experience in representing the company and underwriter.

She received her Ph.D. in Chemistry from the University of Southern California. Her graduate research focused on the design and synthesis of novel bisphosphonates for their applications as fluorescent drug probes and as potential dental adhesives. As a graduate student, she was a member of the Interdisciplinary Program of Drug Discovery, where she gained vital exposure to the multidisciplinary fields of medicinal chemistry, pharmacology, and chemical biology. During law school, she served as the Chief Research Editor of the Loyola of Los Angeles Law Review.

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## Practices

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## Education

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## Admissions

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