



IP Seminar: Key Elements of An Invention Disclosure Statement: What You Need to Know as an Inventor and a Business Decision Maker (16 June)

To assist in the process of identifying/protecting IP with a view to obtaining patent and/or design registration, it is often useful to start by filling out an **Invention Disclosure Form**, but how should you organize your thoughts about your invention, from creative concept, laboratory notebook data, to possible end products, and then convert it into something presentable in front of the business decision makers?

In this presentation, we will discuss what you should know about the key elements of an Invention Disclosure Statement, which is the first step in presenting your invention for assessment on obtaining patent protection and commercializing the invention. An invention disclosure statement, which is more than a form for complying with policies of the Knowledge Transfer Offices (KTOs), describes information relating to the patentability and marketability potential of the invention. A properly drafted Invention Disclosure Statement is key to allowing decision makers to properly assess and appreciate your innovation and its potential commercial relevance to your employer/institution.

Seminar layout:

- What is an Invention Disclosure Statement (IDS)?
- The Basics: Key Elements
- What is an Invention?
- For the inventor
- For the business decision maker
- For the patent attorney
- Commercial considerations
- Derivation of Rights/Chain of Entitlement
- Invention Disclosure Statement – A potential trap as A US provisional patent application tool

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Who Should Attend?

- Business owners and senior management
- IP managers / engineers

Date:	16 June 2016 (Thur)
Time:	2:30pm – 4:00pm
Speakers:	Representatives of inCompass IP International: Mr. Ewan Bewley, Principal; Ms. Yannie Chan, Trade Mark Attorney
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Ewan is a registered European Patent Attorney and Chartered UK Patent Attorney and has worked in all areas of IP Law in senior roles both in private practice and as corporate in-house counsel. In recent years, Ewan has specialized in P.R. China, Hong Kong, and South-East Asia IP law, practice and procedure. Ewan's expertise covers a diverse range of technologies including telecoms, cooling systems, oil exploration, optical components, pressure ignition, mechanical and electro-mechanical devices. Ewan is a member of the Hong Kong SAR Government Commerce and Economic Development Commission's Advisory Committee on Review of the Patent System in Hong Kong. He is also a member of the Innovation and Technology Commission's Steering Committee on Review of Intellectual Property Issues in the Innovation and Technology Sectors in Hong Kong.



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Dr. Chan is a professionally qualified Patent Attorney in Australia and New Zealand, and a registered Trade Mark Attorney in Australia. She has a Bachelor's degree in Chemical and Polymer Engineering, a Master's degree in Bioengineering from the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, a Doctorate in Chemical Engineering from the University of New South Wales, Australia, and a Master's degree in Intellectual Property Law from the University of Technology Sydney. Dr. Chan has worked as a research scientist in a number of universities and as a R&D manager in a leading cosmeceutical company in Australia. Prior to joining InCompass IP International, she was a patent attorney at a leading international IP firm in Hong Kong.

Dr. Chan is experienced in drafting, filing and prosecuting patent applications in various major jurisdictions. She has also provided numerous patent infringement, freedom to operate, and validity opinions for clients, and has handled industrial design and trade mark matters for clients in a variety of industries. She has worked with clients from a number of universities and research institutes in Hong Kong and Australia, as well as various local and international clients from the electrical, information and communications, and mechanical industries.

Dr Chan's areas of technical expertise include chemical and chemical engineering; pharmaceuticals, biotechnology and bioengineering; polymers and material science; nanotechnology; medical devices; healthcare, skincare and cosmeceuticals; mechanical engineering; and electronic devices.