

Technology We Use

Woodard& Emhardt& utilizes a number of technologies specific to the practice of intellectual property law to deliver efficient and thorough service to our clients. Our advanced docketing and case management software is customized for the needs of patent prosecution, including the ability to monitor all phases of the patent application process from initial filing to the payment of maintenance fees. The software is updated regularly to account for changes to both U.S. and foreign laws and patent office rules.

Periodic status report generation is also available and can be easily customized according to the client needs. In addition, clients are able to securely access our systems to obtain real-time information regarding the status of their matters. For clients who wish to pursue foreign patent protection, we have the ability through our advanced estimating software to provide quick fee estimates for all countries throughout around the globe.

The Firm also makes full use of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's electronic filing systems and has participated in a number of beta testing programs, including the initial rollout of the USPTO e-filing system, the e-Office Action Pilot Program, and the Continuing Education for Practitioners initiative. The Firm has also been instrumental in upgrading the Web Enabled Search Tool (WEST) patent searching facilities at the Indianapolis Marion County Public Library, which is a designated U.S. Patent and Trademark Depository Library.