

#### Practice Areas

- Intellectual Property

#### Education

- University of Maryland, Baltimore County, B.A.
- George Mason University School of Law, JD

#### Honors

- Champion, Games Law Summit International Moot Court Competition, "Legal Challenge VII," 2024
- Regional Champion & National Quarterfinalist, Giles S. Rich Moot Court Competition, 2021-2022
- Finalist, Thacher Intramural Mock Trial Competition, 2021

#### Bar Admissions

- Texas
- USPTO, Reg. No. 78,919

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Valerie Yu is an associate attorney in the Intellectual Property section of the firm's Houston office. She helps clients protect and enforce their intellectual property across a wide range of technologies, including data storage devices, semiconductor fabrication processes, AI & ML technologies, biotechnology and pharmaceuticals, consumer products, and more. Valerie advises clients of all sizes from individual inventors and entrepreneurs to Fortune 500 corporations and finds solutions for any of her clients' intellectual property needs.

Valerie earned her Juris Doctor from George Mason University School of Law, where she concentrated in Intellectual Property. During law school, she excelled in oral advocacy, earning top honors in competitions such as the Giles S. Rich National Moot Court Competition and the Thacher Intramural Mock Trial Competition. She graduated with an Excellence in Oral Advocacy Award and also gained valuable IP litigation experience as an intern at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

Before law school, Valerie earned dual degrees in Biological Sciences and Philosophy from the University of Maryland, Baltimore County. While there, she co-founded and led the North American Intercollegiate Chinese Association (NAICA), a nonprofit dedicated to promoting cultural empowerment and professional networking for Chinese American students. Following her undergraduate studies, Valerie worked for two years as an IP specialist at a full-service intellectual property firm, where she assisted with patent prosecution, handled U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filings, and supported litigation and administrative matters—experience that sharpened her research skills, attention to detail, and ability to adapt to the evolving landscape of patent law.