How to write a stellar patent application





Host

Meet the US Patent and Trademark Office



Elizabeth Dougherty Eastern Regional Outreach Director



Stephen Yanchuk Special Advisor EROO



Curtis Broadbent Licensing Manager UR Ventures





12:30-1:00 PM Coffee & Donuts 1:00-2:00 PM Seminar & Debate

CVS Conference Room G-4104, 210 Crittenden Blvd, URMC, Rochester, NY

Seeing the next, newest solution is the first step in the journey of innovation. Do you know the next steps to protecting your invention? Come meet the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO) Eastern Regional Outreach Office (EROO) as they provide a brief history and overview of intellectual property protections available to you. During this conversation, you will gain insights into the patent prosecution process from the experience of a primary patent examiner. The combination of this event and the wealth of information at www.uspto.gov will prepare you for your next steps in protecting your next big idea.

Who should come? Faculty, staff, postdocs and students interested in IP protection and patents. Hosted in CVS, but open to all member and neighbouring departments

Speakers

Eastern Regional Outreach Director Elizabeth Dougherty

As the Eastern Regional Outreach Director for the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Elizabeth Dougherty carries out the strategic direction of the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the USPTO, and is responsible for leading the USPTO's East Coast stakeholder engagement. Focusing on the region and actively engaging with the community, Ms. Dougherty ensures the USPTO's initiatives and programs are tailored to the region's unique ecosystem of industries and stakeholders.

Special Advisor to the EROO Stephen Yanchuk

Stephen Yanchuk joined the USPTO after receiving his Material Science & Engineering degree from Cornell University. He has been a patent examiner for fourteen years reviewing Fuel Cells and Battery technology applications. In 2020, Stephen joined the Eastern Regional Outreach Office as a special advisor. In his tenure, Stephen has spearheaded the Wine & IP series, Blockchain & IP series, USPTO collaboration with the BSA Inventing Merit Badge, and now works towards advancing the Council for Inclusive Innovation's Community Outreach Campaign.