Ken Patel

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EDUCATION

University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH

J.D. (Top 25%)

June 1990

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN

B.S. Chemical Engineering (Top 10%)

May 1986

BAR ADMISSIONS

Admitted to Ohio Bar, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

EMPLOYMENT

Partner, Davé Law Group, LLC, Lorton, VA

November 2025-Present

Provide expert patent opinion counsel services to clients on matters including patentability, infringement analysis, validity assessments, and strategic IP counseling across diverse technology sectors.

Chief Ethics & Compliance Officer and Chief Patent Counsel

The Procter & Gamble Company (P&G), Cincinnati, OH

December 2019 - July 2025

Directed P&G's enterprise ethics, compliance, privacy/cybersecurity, ESG, and patent functions, reporting to the CEO's leadership team and Board, and leading global legal teams including 100+ patent lawyers and staff.

Senior Vice President & General Counsel, P&G Global Business Units, P&G, Cincinnati, OH

2012 - 2019

Served as General Counsel for P&G's global businesses (~\$70B), overseeing all legal functions and leading 150+ lawyers while advising Presidents across all 10 business categories.

Vice President & General Counsel, P&G Global Brand Legal and Beauty Business Unit,

P&G, Cincinnati, OH

2010 - 2012

Served as General Counsel for all P&G brand-related matters and primary GC for the \$15B Beauty unit, advising two Presidents and leading 80+ global lawyers while resolving major regulatory and chemical-related issues in Europe.

Vice President & Associate General Counsel, P&G Global Baby,

Feminine & Family Business Units, P&G, Cincinnati, OH

2005-2010

General Counsel for P&G's \$20B diaper, feminine care, and paper products units, serving on three Presidents' leadership teams and leading 50+ lawyers, overseeing all legal, regulatory, and IP issues.

Director & Associate General Counsel, P&G Global Baby,

Feminine & Family Business Units, P&G, Cincinnati, OH

2000-2005

General IP Counsel for P&G's \$20B diaper, feminine care, and paper products units, serving on the Baby Care President's team, leading 25+ patent professionals, and securing successful results in high-impact patent litigation.

Director & Associate General Counsel, Intellectual Property, P&G Asia, Japan

1999-2000

General IP Counsel for P&G's \$20B Asia business, serving on the Senior President's leadership team and leading 25+ global patent lawyers and staff.

Senior Counsel, Intellectual Property, P&G, Cincinnati, OH

1993-1999

Senior IP Counsel for P&G's \$20B laundry products business, handling patents on complex detergent chemicals and processes and leading a team of 10+ patent lawyers and staff.

Associate Attorney, Dinsmore & Shohl Law Firm, Dayton, OH

1988-1993

Handled broad patent, trademark, and copyright matters across automotive, biomedical, chemical, industrial, and electronics sectors, leading major patent litigation and advising C-Suite clients on IP strategy.

Chemical Engineer, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company, Akron, OH

1986-1987

Managed chemical engineering for aircraft tire products, including compound formulation, manufacturing design, quality assurance, and customer support for major in-market issues.

Chemical Engineer, Dow Chemical Company, Midland, MI

1982-1986

Chemical engineering intern supporting pilot plant and full-scale API manufacturing.

PROFESSIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Honors: Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Cincinnati College of Law (2016); Board Member, University of Cincinnati College of Law (2017–19); National Programs Self-Regulatory Chair & Board Member, Better Business Bureau (2016–23); Board Member, Cincinnati Board of Health (2024–present); Director, Compass Board, Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce (2018–20); Board Member, Mercantile Library (2016–23); International IP Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Cincinnati (2008).