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**PRACTICES:** Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) and Workplace Disasters, Intellectual Property Litigation, Products Liability Litigation, Environmental, Energy, Power and Natural Resources, Labor and Employment, Life Sciences; **INDUSTRIES:** Energy

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### EDUCATION AND CLERKSHIPS

- J.D., University of Houston Law Center, 2012, *with honors*; Associate Editor, *Houston Law Review*
- Ph.D., Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Kansas Medical Center, 1995
- M.Sc., Biosciences, University of Roorkee, Roorkee, India, 1990
- B.Sc., KLDV College, Meerut University, Roorkee, India, 1988
- Judicial Intern, Honorable Judge Vanessa Gilmore, Federal Court for the Southern District of Texas, January-May 2011

### ADMISSIONS

- Texas, 2012
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, 2014

Mini Kapoor has wide-ranging litigation experience in commercial, intellectual property, and labor and employment matters. Her commercial litigation experience includes toxic torts, environmental, energy, and product liability matters. Her intellectual property experience includes patents, copyrights, trademarks, and trade secrets disputes, and patent infringement and invalidity analysis and pharmaceutical patent litigation (Hatch-Waxman/ANDA). Mini's labor and employment experience includes handling OSHA matters in multiple states, and breach of non-competition and employment agreements.

A registered lawyer at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Mini has a Ph.D. in Biochemistry. Prior to her legal career, she was a faculty member at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, where she received federally-funded grants to conduct research in cancer genetics. Mini has served on federal grant review panels for the National Institutes of Health and the National Cancer Institute. She has also served as a reviewer on technology grants at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and the University of Houston.

Mini is a prolific writer who has published on both legal and scientific topics. Among other notable journals, her articles have appeared in the *Houston Law Review* and the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

As a member of multiple inventor and entrepreneur societies, Mini has delivered speeches and presentations on intellectual property-related issues at the Texas Life Science Forum and the State Bar of Texas Patent and Trademarks Workshop. On behalf of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, she organized and hosted the Houston World Intellectual Property Day in April 2017 which featured Sarah Harris, the General Counsel of the USPTO, as the keynote speaker. The World Intellectual Property Day focuses on creating awareness regarding protecting intellectual property and related issues.

Mini has frequently presented to diverse student organizations at the University of Houston and represented the firm at the Georgetown Law School Diversity Gala. In addition, she is an active member of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity, a national diversity organization.

### Selected Client Representations

**COURT ADMISSIONS**

- U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit
- U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas
- U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Texas

**LANGUAGES**

- Hindi

- Represented a global telecommunications company in a personal injury lawsuit and defeated all asserted claims against the company at summary judgment stage.
- Represented a global independent energy company in a rig transportation services contract dispute, defeated all asserted claims against the company at summary judgment stage, and secured a complete dismissal of opposing party's cross motion for summary judgment against the company.
- Represented a large manufacturer of educational products for children in a trademark infringement lawsuit and obtained a favorable settlement.
- Represented a manufacturer of petrochemicals in a trade secrets lawsuit and obtained a permanent injunction and a favorable settlement.
- Represented a chemical company in a toxic tort lawsuit by more than 50 plaintiffs and obtained a favorable resolution.
- Represented a large corporate client in a breach of contract action involving defective lifeboats and obtained a favorable settlement.
- Represented a pro bono client in a breach of services contract action and obtained a favorable settlement.
- Represented a corporate clothing company in a trade secrets lawsuit and obtained a favorable resolution.
- Represented a large corporate client in analysis of environmental and legal issues arising from EPA enforcement action, including pre-enforcement review of administrative orders, costs of different strategic options and strengths of various defenses, and review and analysis of documents for responding to EPA enforcement action.
- Represented City of Houston as a volunteer prosecutor and tried misdemeanor jury trials.

**Professional and Community Activities**

- Intellectual Property American Inn of Court
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Pathfinder 2015
- Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Mentor 2015
- State Bar of Texas
- Houston Bar Association
- Defense Research Institute (DRI)
- Registered to practice before U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
- Houston Intellectual Property Law Organization

**Selected Publications and Speeches**

- "Patents and Trademarks," presenter, State Bar of Texas Intellectual Property Workshop, Texas A&M University, Corpus Christi, TX, 2017.
- "World Intellectual Property Day—Innovation Changing Lives," host and moderator, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX, 2017.
- "Intellectual Property Protection Strategies for Companies," presenter and moderator, Texas Life Science Forum, Houston, TX, 2016.

- "Intellectual Property Protection," presenter, Society of Physician Entrepreneurs, Houston, TX, 2016.
- "Circumstances Mandating A Commercial Marketing Notice By A Biosimilar Applicant Ripe for Guidance from the High Court," co-author, *Houston Law Review*, 2016.
- "The Recent Federal Circuit Decision in *Acorda Therapeutics v. Mylan Pharmaceuticals* May Not be the Last Word on Jurisdiction in ANDA Cases," co-author, *Patently O*, 2016.
- "What the Aftermath of Hurricane Alice Has Done to Digital Health," presenter, Texas Life Science Forum, Houston, TX, 2015.
- "High Court Underscores the Significance of Patent Invalidity and Non-infringement Opinions," co-author, *Houston Lawyer*, 2015.
- "Is your company prepared for a product recall?" co-author, *Inside Counsel*, 2016.
- "High Court Addresses the Effect of Opinions on Charges of Inducement of Infringement," co-author, *The IP Beacon*, 2015.
- "Teva Will Increase Reliance on Experts in Patent Cases," author, *Law360*, 2015.
- "Non-asbestos Causes of Mesothelioma," author, Defense Research Institute, 2012.
- "Proposal for Resolution to Challenges Posed by DNA Sequence Patents on the Development of Multiplex Genetic Tests," author, *Houston Law Review*, 2012.
- "Petroleum-Engineering Firm Could Be Liable for Reserve Estimates," author, American Bar Association Section of Litigation, *Energy Litigation News & Developments*, 2012.