

## Flaster Greenberg Adds Patent Attorney Mark R. Luderer to Firm's Growing Intellectual Property Department

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Patent attorney Mark R. Luderer has joined Flaster Greenberg as Of Counsel in its Intellectual Property Department and a member of the firm's Patent Practice Group. Dr. Luderer will be based in the firm's Philadelphia office, where he has substantial experience representing clients in the pharmaceutical, life sciences, and biotech industries. He also holds a PhD. in Organic Chemistry from the University of Connecticut.

Dr. Luderer's particular skills lie in prosecuting and litigating patent assets involving pharmaceutical small molecules and compositions, organic synthesis, methods of treatment, polymers, green chemistry and dietary foodstuffs. He also has experience dealing with validity opinions, freedom-to-operate and trade secret litigation analysis for medical devices.

The recent addition of Dr. Luderer is part of Flaster Greenberg's ongoing growth strategy, which includes the recruitment of 18 new attorneys over the past year. In January of 2020, the firm announced that its Intellectual Property Department and Philadelphia office grew with the addition of 11 new team members, including four shareholders, four associates, and three paralegals. That sizeable patent group brought a robust international patent procurement and litigation practice, and represents clients primarily in the telecommunications, electrical devices, software, medical device, pharmaceutical, and manufacturing industries.

IP Department Chair, Joseph R. Klinicki, stated, "I am beyond excited that Mark has decided to join our firm. Mark's niche background in procuring chemical and related patents is important to many of our firm's clients who are situated in the life science and biotech industries. His addition will help expand the scope of our patent department in this vital area and nicely rounds out our full-service patent practice across a variety of technical specialty areas."

Dr. Luderer noted, "I'm excited to join a firm that has a demonstrated commitment to developing strategic practice areas in key industries. Having the opportunity to again work with this impressive group of patent attorneys after a number of years is an exciting prospect and I look forward to the new synergies that will arise within the firm. Because of all this, I'm confident that Flaster Greenberg is the right platform for my practice."

A former patent examiner at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Dr. Luderer examined applications involving novel small molecule compound pharmaceuticals, pro-drugs comprising biologics and polymers, novel organic synthesis of new and existing organic compounds, methods of treatment, and pharmaceutical compositions and industrial chemical processes. Prior to his time at the USPTO, Dr. Luderer worked with FG patent attorneys Joseph Klinicki, Ross Alexander, Michael Bonella, and Michael Piscitelli at IP Boutique,

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Dr. Luderer currently serves as an Adjunct Professor for Point Park University in Pittsburgh, PA, and at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, where he teaches General Chemistry. Prior to joining Flaster Greenberg, Dr. Luderer ran a law practice based in Pittsburgh, PA, as a solo practitioner.

Mr. Luderer obtained his law degree from the Boston University School of Law in 2010 and earned his undergraduate degree in Chemistry from Indiana University of Pennsylvania, *magna cum laude*, where he minored in Math and Physics.