

# *Patent Agent/Technical Specialist Hard Sciences Attorney*

Summary: Learn more about what it is like to be a Patent Agent/Technical Specialist Hard Sciences attorney in this article.

## ***What Does a Patent Agent/Technical Specialist Hard Sciences Attorney Do?***

- This practice area category focuses on patent agents and technical specialists who have expertise in the hard sciences.
- Patent agents must be admitted to the Patent Bar, and technical specialists do not need to be admitted.
- Most patent agents and technical specialists have advanced degrees.

## ***Why Do Patent Agent/Technical Specialist Hard Sciences Attorneys Enjoy Their Jobs?***

- People who are somewhat introverted tend to enjoy this practice because there is not a lot of interaction with people.
- The work is also very detail oriented and requires the ability to study and understand new technologies.
- People who become proficient in this practice area tend to have the ability to take jobs in other states and law firms and move laterally.
- There are relatively long deadlines in this practice area, which means that the hours tend to be more predictable.

## ***What Are the Difficulties of Being a Patent Agent/Technical Specialist Hard Sciences Attorney?***

- People who enjoy working closely with others and do not enjoy extremely technical work tend not to like patent prosecution.
- The work also tends to be quite intellectually "taxing" and tiring.

## ***How Easy Is It to Move Laterally as a Patent Agent/Technical Specialist Hard Sciences Attorney?***

- This is not an active practice area in the legal recruiting realm because there tend to be more far more highly-qualified technical specialists and patent agents than there are jobs.
- Nevertheless, there is a lateral market for patent agents, but legal recruiters are not frequently used because there is just not a lot of demand.
- The busiest areas for this work tend to be in Boston and Silicon Valley.

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- [\*\*I'm a Patent Agent, When Should I Start Searching for a Job?\*\*](#)
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