

PATENT DRAFTING FOR BEGINNERS

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INDUSTRIES APPLICABLE TO: Law Firms, LPOs, knowledge-based industries etc

INTENDED AUDIENCE: Anyone interested in patent drafting

PRE-REQUISITES: No pre-requisites for this course. But students may benefit from the course "Patent Law For

Engineers and Scientists"

COURSE OUTLINE:

Patent specifications — the documents which encompass the patent right in a technological invention are technological documents created at the interface of science and law. Unlike technical writing, patent law requires drafting patent specifications to satisfy certain requirements. This course is designed to enable beginners without any prior knowledge on patent drafting to draft patent specifications on their own. The course will cover the fundamental principles of patent drafting and discuss in detail the concepts in patent law in the context of patent drafting.

ABOUT INSTRUCTOR:

Prof. Feroz Ali is the Chair Professor on Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras. He teaches intellectual property laws and business laws. He is the author of three books on patent law. He is a practicing advocate at the Madras High Court. He litigates and counsels in intellectual property law, corporate law and competition law but his primary focus has remained in patent law. He has appeared before the Supreme Court, the High Courts, Intellectual Property Appellate Board and the Patent Offices

COURSE PLAN:

Week 1: Invention as a solution to an unsolved Problem

Week 2: Drafting a Claim

Week 3: Types and Arrangement of Claims

Week 4: Structure of the Patent Specification