



Donika Pentcheva is an Attorney and Counselor-at-Law and Registered Patent Lawyer who combines technical expertise with legal acumen to serve entrepreneurial ventures and Fortune 500 companies.

Donika was born and raised in Eastern Europe. Donika won first place in an accordion competition. Donika was also a Bulgarian National Folklore Dancer and part of the Bulgarian National Travel Dancing Team. Upon completing seventh grade in Bulgaria, Donika arrived in United States where Donika tested into ninth grade. Donika then enrolled in college early and obtained college credits that counted toward both high-school graduation requirements and college requirements.

Donika began her legal career in 2007 and obtained her first law license in 2010, focusing on patents, trademarks, trade secrets, and copyrights. Donika has worked for an intellectual property boutique law firm and an international law firm. Donika has also been Legal Counsel at PayPal® and Nike®. Subsequently, Donika founded the Law Office of Donika Pentcheva, PLLC, serving as interim General Counsel for start-ups.

Donika was named Patent Attorney of the Year in 2022 by Corporate Live Wire, received the Client's Choice Award for Best Contract Lawyer in 2024, and earned America's Most Honored Lawyers Award for 2025. In 2026, Donika was named a Distinguished Member of Lawyers of Distinction™.

Donika graduated with honors from the University of Saint Thomas in Saint Paul, Minnesota with degrees in Mechanical Engineering with emphasis on Software Engineering, Mathematics, and Political Science. After that Donika obtained President's Scholarship to attend William Mitchell College And School Of Law, Saint Paul, Minnesota (now known as, Mitchell Hamline School of Law). In 2015, Donika began pursuing a Master of Laws Degree (LLM) from George Washington University Law School with a focus on intellectual property law. Donika is also pursuing studies in Policy for Science, Technology, and Innovation at Massachusetts Institute Of Technology, and additional studies at Harvard University and The Wharton School Of Business At The University Of Pennsylvania.

Donika has served as Vice Chair of the High Tech and Software Patent Committee of the American Bar Association and as Chair of the Patent Legislation Committee of the American Bar Association's Section of Intellectual Property Law Section. Donika has also been appointed as one of the America Bar Association Section Advisor to the National Conference Of Commissioners On Uniform State Laws.

Donika was also an Adjunct Professor of Law at Mitchell Hamline School of Law. Donika Pentcheva's primary practice location is in Anoka, Minnesota, United States.

Donika Pentcheva has been admitted to practice law in the following jurisdictions: State of Minnesota Supreme Court; United States Patent and Trademark Office; Supreme Court of The United States of America; United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit; State of Kentucky Supreme Court; and District of Columbia Court of Appeals. In 2026, Donika also celebrated being authorized to practice law in the State of Texas by the Supreme Court of Texas.

Donka is passionate about improving the health of our Children and ending Childhood hunger and homelessness!