



Michelle A. (Hagenbuch) Han, J.D.

Michelle Han is a 1992 graduate of Upper Perkiomen school district. While a student at Upper Perk, Michelle was an active member of the high school band and was Drum Major her senior year and a member of the National Honor Society.

After high school, Michelle attended Lehigh University and graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biochemistry and a year later, a second Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering. She was a Presidential Scholar and a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Tau Beta Pi and Phi Eta Sigma.

Upon completing her education at Lehigh University, Michelle moved to New Jersey and began work in the Specialty Chemicals and Pharmaceutical industry as a research engineer. While working, Michelle continued her education earning a Master's of Science degree from Rutgers University in Chemical Engineering.

While employed as a chemical engineer, Michelle furthered her education graduating cum laude with a Juris Doctorate from Rutgers University School of Law, and received the G.A. Moore, Jr. Prize for distinguished work in the field of equal employment opportunity law. Michelle became a patent attorney for a law firm focusing on domestic and international patent application preparation with an emphasis on chemical, pharmaceutical and life science industries.

Michelle is currently employed as a Patent Attorney at Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation in East Hanover, New Jersey. She is a member of the New Jersey Intellectual Property Association, where she served as House Chair in 2013. She is also a member of the New Jersey and New York State Bar Associations and is registered with the United States Patent and Trademark Offices in both New Jersey and New York.

Michelle enjoys spending time with her family, hiking, camping, running and reading. She is a den leader for her local Cub Scouts chapter and also coaches little league baseball. Michelle is married to Inkwan Han and has two sons, Kellen and Logan. She is the daughter of Carl and Judy Hagenbuch who were also her nominators.

For her academic excellence and distinguished career contributions in the fields of pharmaceutical development, patent and intellectual property law, we are proud to introduce Michelle Han and congratulate her on her induction into the Academic Hall of Fame.