

Speaker Biography



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Fred Server is a partner in WilmerHale's Corporate Department, and is co-chair of the firm's Technology Transactions and Licensing Group. He focuses his practice on corporate partnering in the Life Sciences field.

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Practice Focus

Corporate

Education

- J.D., [Harvard Law School](#), 1994
- M.D., [Stanford University](#), 1977
- Ph.D., Neurological Sciences, [Stanford University](#), 1976
- A.B., *summa cum laude*, [Princeton University](#), 1970, Phi Beta Kappa

Bar Admissions

Massachusetts

Practice

Dr. Server has represented the firm's clients in some of the most significant and highly regarded strategic alliance transactions in the Life Sciences industry, including Millennium Pharmaceuticals' \$500 million marketing deal for Velcade (bortezomib), a proteasome inhibitor for multiple myeloma with Ortho Biotech Products, LP, a Johnson & Johnson company; and Idenix Pharmaceuticals' agreement with Novartis Pharma AG, focused on viral drugs for hepatitis and valued at up to \$862 million.

Dr. Server was involved in the establishment of The SNP Consortium, a novel, nonprofit consortium made up of 10 of the world's leading pharmaceutical companies and a British charity. The consortium was established to identify and develop a map of genetic variation in the human genome, which has been made publicly available.

Companies for whom Dr. Server has worked include: Millennium Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Idenix Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Wyeth; Bristol-Meyers Squibb Company; Novartis Pharmaceuticals; Becton, Dickinson & Company; Infinity Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Momenta Pharmaceuticals; and Transkaryotic Therapies Inc. (TKT).

Dr. Server received a J.D. degree from Harvard Law School. He received an A.B. degree, *summa cum laude*, from Princeton University, where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. His biomedical training includes an M.D. degree and a Ph.D. degree (neurological sciences) from Stanford University, a medical internship at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital (a Harvard teaching hospital and predecessor of Brigham and Women's Hospital), a neurology residency at Johns Hopkins Hospital, and post-doctoral fellowships in neurovirology and molecular biology at Johns Hopkins University and Harvard University. Prior to joining the firm, Dr. Server was a founder and the research director of a biotechnology company.

Honors and Awards

- Ranked in the 2005-2006 edition of the [PLC Cross-border Life Sciences Handbook](#) as a "leading" lawyer in the Life Sciences Commercial and Corporate Partnering category for the United States. Dr. Server is one of only two lawyers in the US to receive the handbook's highest ranking in the Life Sciences Corporate Partnering practice area for the last six years.
- Listed as one of four "star" lawyers of the firm in the 2005 [PLC Which lawyer? Yearbook](#), formerly *Global Counsel 3000*
- Recognized in the November 2005 edition of *Boston Magazine* as a "Massachusetts Super Lawyer" in business/corporate law