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Immediately prior to joining Starbucks, Phyllis was Vice President, Chief IP Counsel at Intellectual Ventures Management LLC in Bellevue, WA. Prior to joining IV, Phyllis held in-house legal and business management positions at Intermec Technologies Corporation, Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Cabot Microelectronic Corporation and Amoco Corp. She began her legal career at McAndrews, Held and Mallow, Ltd. in Chicago, IL.

Phyllis is a 1993 graduate of the University of Cincinnati Law School and a 1986 honors graduate of the Illinois Institute of Technology (B.S. Chemical Engineering). She has served as a lecturer/presenter on several topics including developing business focused licensing programs, diversity in the law, recruitment and retention of minorities and women in technical professions, chemical patent drafting, IP strategy development, career development and personal risk taking. Phyllis has been named as one of IAM's IP Strategy 300: The World's Leading IP Strategist for 2015 and 2016.

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