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Manita Rawat is a Partner at Duane Morris LLP where she is Managing Partner of the firm’s Silicon Valley office and a member of the firm’s governing Partners Board. Manita is a member of the firm’s Intellectual Property (IP) Practice group and is a registered patent attorney with the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Throughout her career, Manita has maintained a thriving book of business and continuously counsels her clients in the Silicon Valley area on a variety of issues related to intellectual property, including patentability analysis, invalidity opinions, portfolio management and analysis of pre-litigation matters. Silicon Valley companies often look to Manita and her diverse teams, drawn from across the firm, to provide the best service possible. Today, she handles patent matters, including patent prosecution and post grant proceedings, for high profile Fortune 100 companies throughout Silicon Valley.

In the midst of her professional accomplishments, she is a dedicated mentor to diverse attorneys throughout the firm. She remains dedicated to providing diverse attorneys with more opportunities by regularly ensuring that her teams consist of 80 percent women and diverse attorneys and provides them with opportunities to advance their careers at Duane Morris and develop relationships with the clients.

Manita has also been recognized by her colleagues and peers on a number of occasions for her commitment to mentoring young attorneys as well as her impressive career work. In 2020, Manita was honored with the Duane Morris “Cheryl Bryson Leadership Award” which recognizes significant contributions, including professional development, leadership and mentoring, made by a lawyer to women in the legal profession. That same year, she received a Women of Influence Award from the *Silicon Valley Business Journal*.

Manita is a 2005 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law and a graduate of the University of Nevada, Reno. She also studied at St. Peter’s College of University of Oxford, United Kingdom, through the Intellectual Property Law Scholars Program.