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PRACTICE AREAS

- Patents
- Prosecution

LANGUAGES

- Portuguese
- English

BIOGRAPHY

Fernanda Pimentel is a Chemical Engineer and a Patent Specialist who joined Licks Attorneys' Rio de Janeiro office in 2016 to work with intellectual property, mainly with prosecution of patent applications/patents at the Brazilian Patent and Trademark Office (BRPTO), with emphasis on the chemical, oil and gas, as well as energy fields. Fernanda acts performing prior art searches, drafting patent applications, analyzing and reporting BRPTO's technical opinions, preparing briefs to comply/contest said technical opinions and preparing and replying third-party observations (pre-grant and post-grant oppositions). As a member of Licks Attorneys' technical staff, she also carries out equivalent searches for BR counterparts, as well as Freedom-to-Operate (FTO) analysis. Ms. Pimentel has knowledge of the Brazilian Patent Statute, normative instructions and examination guidelines issued by the Brazilian PTO, as well as the main intellectual property treaties.

Prior to joining the firm, Fernanda has gained experience as an intern at an intellectual property firm, where she concentrated her practice in the filing of patent applications in Brazil and clients' assistance.

EDUCATION

- Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering, with emphasis on Petroleum and Energy, at Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro (PUC-Rio) (ongoing).
- Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering at Fluminense Federal University (UFF), 2017.

ARTICLES

- [Post-filing experimental evidence: how to obtain patents in Brazil?](#), Kluwer Patent Blog, 2022.