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Kamyar Maserrat is driven by a passion for understanding new technology and helping his clients protect their innovations. Kamyar's invention experience spans a wide range of technologies, including artificial intelligence, machine learning, big data analytics, natural language processing, large language models, data analytics, data migration, mapping, advertising, e-commerce, and other software and business method innovations. Through the management of this diverse portfolio, he has gained considerable experience addressing issues involving the patent eligibility of software and business methods.

Kamyar is a student of burgeoning and evolving innovative technologies. This is evidenced by his recent completion of a professional education certificate in the area of quantum computing from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Before joining Foley, Kamyar was a patent attorney with IBM, where he helped protect innovations for the world's leading patent holder. He served as an original member of IBM's Watson focus group, working on the artificial intelligence-based system capable of using various machine learning protocols (including language models and natural language processing techniques) to reveal insights from large amounts of unstructured data. He also worked on the related Cognitive Build program, an internal incubator of projects to use Watson in new and different ways.

Awars & Recognition
- *Best Lawyers*® Ones to Watch – Intellectual Property Law (2025-2026)

Affiliations
- Member of Engineers Without Borders (Dallas Chapter)
- Member of Iranian American Bar Association

Presentations and Publications

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- Co-author, "USPTO Publishes Revised Patent Eligibility Guidelines to Clarify Examination Under 35 USC §101" (January 8, 2019)
- Co-author, "USPTO Updates Guidance Leading to More Favorable Consideration of Patent Eligibility" (April 25, 2018)
- Co-author, "Federal Circuit Requires More Evidence Before Invalidating Patents as Ineligible Under 35 U.S.C. 101" (February 22, 2018)
- Co-author, "The Robot's Invention: Patent Considerations in AI," *Law360* (July 9, 2018)

Languages
- Farsi

Sectors
- Artificial Intelligence
- Innovative Technology
- Racial Justice & Equity

Practice Areas
- Intellectual Property

Education
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology (professional education certificate, 2024)
  - Quantum Computing Fundamentals
- Texas A&M University School of Law (J.D., 2013)
  - Graduated top 15% of class
  - Class commencement speaker
  - Dean's List
  - Staff Editor*, Texas A&M Journal of Property Law*
  - Member, Phi Delta Phi Legal Honor Society
  - Recipient, Phi Delta Phi Outstanding Student Leader Award
- University of Texas at Arlington (B.S., 2007)
  - Civil and Structural Engineering

Admissions
- District of Columbia
- Texas
- U.S. Patent and Trademark Office